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BRITAIN & ARAB STATES BEGIN IMPORTANT TALKS

London, Nov. 18. Britain and the Arab states today engaged in preliminary negotiations, on the eve of the first big foreign policy debate in Parliament since Mr Winston Churchill returned to power.

The Prime Minister of Iraq, Nuri Said Pasha, flew here from Paris and conferred with the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, last night. No official comment was forthcoming.

Some quarters believed Nuri Pasha put forward new proposals for solving the dispute between Egypt and Britain over the Suez Canal and the Sudan. Mr Eden will open the Foreign policy debate in the Commons on Monday afternoon. He is expected to review the entire range of British foreign policy from the Middle East to the Western alliance and the cold war with Russia.

PRESTIGE ENHANCED Mr Churchill is expected to leave the talks with Arab leaders to Mr Eden and not speak himself. Mr Eden's high prestige in the Commons was enhanced by his plea for reasonable behaviour at the United Nations Assembly last week.

The Middle East is certain to get a thorough review from both Mr Eden and his predecessor, Mr Herbert Morrison, who is leading off the debate for the Labour Opposition tomorrow.

Nuri Pasha is one of Britain's staunchest friends in the Arab world. Some quarters thought he was acting as go-between in the Anglo-Egyptian dispute. The Amir Abdul Ilah, Regent of Iraq, is also in London, ostensibly for reasons of health. Unconfirmed reports circulated that Nuri Pasha had made proposals along the following lines:

1. A strong military alliance between members of the Arab states for a Middle Eastern defence group, with arms and equipment to be supplied by the West.
2. Evacuation of the Suez Canal Zone by the British forces.
3. Co-operation between the proposed alliance and the West in war.

ADD STRYCHNINE TO TASTE

Wagga Wagga, Australia, Nov. 18. A man ordered fish and chips in a Wagga cafe, sprinkled strychnine over it and attempted to eat the meal, Police allege. The cafe proprietor called the Police and an ambulance took the man to hospital where he recovered to face a charge of attempted suicide.—Reuter.

Armed Guard For Queues



Families of Service personnel in the Suez Canal Zone, who were previously supplied by the NAAFI which was looted and destroyed by the Egyptians in Ismailia, now draw their rations from mobile NAAFI vans. Picture shows a section of women and children queuing for their rations at Arashia under the protection of armed guards.

Top-Level Spore Talks

Singapore, Nov. 18. It was officially announced today that British representatives in East Asia will meet in Singapore on November 23-27 to exchange views on Southeast Asian matters.

The conference, at which Mr Malcolm MacDonald will preside, will be attended by 18 diplomats and military officers and two observers, including the Governors of Singapore, Hongkong, North Borneo, Sarawak, the C-in-Cs of the three services in the Far East, the High Commissioner in New Delhi, the envoys to Thailand, Burma, the Philippines and Indo-China.

The observers are from the Imperial Defence College.—United Press.

Plane Destroys 30 Houses

Tokyo, Nov. 18. Blast and fire from a crashed American Superfort destroyed 30 houses and damaged 100 west of Tokyo tonight.

The plane crashed near Yokota airbase, 25 miles from Tokyo.

First reports said that about 10 people were injured, among them some of the crew. Earlier reports said that the 12 aboard the plane escaped death but that some were injured. The United States Air Force confirmed the crash but was still checking on details.

Japanese police reported that the blast of the explosion which followed the Superfort crash carried away the roofs of crushed houses. Burning gasoline set fire to three houses, which burned to the ground. Flying sparks set alight neighbouring houses. Fire brigades from at least five townships in the vicinity rushed to the scene.—Reuter.

Thousands Flee Before Floods

Rovigo Becomes A Ghost Town

Rome, Nov. 18.

Raging floods in the North and ominous volcanic rumblings in the South today created the worst threat of natural disaster in Italian history.

Radio stations early today warned the few thousand persons remaining in Rovigo to leave as fast as possible and seek shelter from the new roaring onrush of flood waters. The radio simultaneously announced that a 7 p.m. curfew would be enforced immediately over the entire area stretching eastward from Rovigo to the Adriatic Sea.

Rovigo, a town of 40,000 inhabitants, was a ghost city by 6 a.m. The last 2,400 persons, who had chosen to remain in their homes yesterday when the authorities ordered the evacuation of the town, were reported to have safely reached on foot the concentration point of Boara Pisani, from where they will be transferred to the cities of Padua and Verona.

TOWN INUNDATED

The town of Adria, which was inundated last night by over five feet of water, also was almost totally evacuated this morning. The last inhabitants were being ferried to Chioggia and Venice aboard amphibious craft. Italian amphibious troops in landing craft covered the flooded areas in hopes of rescuing stranded survivors while other soldiers were mobilised and a curfew imposed to prevent looting.

On the South Italian island of Sicily, Mount Etna threw up hot ashes and lava in an ominous reminder of the volcano's last disastrous eruption. The Italian President and Premier de Gasperi are both in the flood area inspecting damage and directing rescue efforts. Pope Pius broadcast an appeal for flood aid over the Vatican radio and directed the Pontifical relief organisation to do everything it could to ease the plight of refugees from the inundated towns of Rovigo, Cavallere and Adria.—United Press.

Police Clash With Students

Teheran, Nov. 18. One police colonel and one subaltern were injured last night in a clash between University students and police before the University gates.

The students, numbering around 800, forced their way through a police cordon around the University and broke one of the side gates, defying the University Board's ban on gathering at the University. The students answered a call to attend a lecture by Communist speaker in the occasion of International Students Day, which the University Board had banned.—United Press.

CANAL ZONE INCIDENTS

Eight Egyptians & Two British Officers Killed

Ismailia, Nov. 18. Five Egyptian policemen and three Egyptian civilians were killed today in a gun battle with British troops which rocked the trouble spot of the Suez Canal Zone, the Egyptian police authorities said.

Eighteen policemen and eight civilians were wounded. British casualties were reported to be two officers definitely killed and one officer and one soldier reportedly wounded.

Although the British military authorities declared the town "quiet" shortly after 6 p.m., local time, the Egyptian governor of Ismailia, Ali Helmy Rey, said later that shooting was still going on.

The afternoon outbreak was believed to have been started when a military police patrol car was fired on as it passed through a main street of the town. A volley of rifle and automatic weapon fire then swept the streets.

All British military and civilian traffic have been prohibited from entering the town. Lt-Gen. Sir George Erskine, commander of the British troops in Egypt, said the Egyptian police lost their heads in opening fire last night on a patrol, resulting in the death of a British officer. Peter Buckle, of the British Forces Broadcasting Service, was wounded in the groin during the five-hour firing.

The Lancashire Fusiliers were recalled from Sunday afternoon tea dances to stand by in barracks. Continued clashes between Egyptian police and British troops occurred on Sunday in the wake of a gunfight last night in which a British officer was killed. Additional casualties were reported by both sides at Ismailia, in the Suez Canal Zone south of Port Said.

The latest clash was reported this afternoon when Egyptian police fired on a British army patrol. Within a few minutes, still moving British vehicles were brought under fire, British informants said. A British military spokesman said a patrol of the First Royal Lincolnshires was fired on by Egyptian police. He said the patrol returned fire in self-defence and withdrew. He added that the body of a British officer was found later near the scene.

The officer had been beaten, robbed and shot through the chest at close range, according to the spokesman. The Interior Minister, Fud Sirag el Din, reporting the same incident earlier, said British troops started firing directly in front of police headquarters and continued shooting around both the foreign and native sections of Ismailia for an hour.

The new flare-up came as Egypt moves on the diplomatic front to gain recognition for King Farouk as King of the disputed Anglo-Egyptian Sudan as well as of Egypt. Informed sources said the government rejected the credentials of the new Greek and Dutch envoys for not addressing Farouk as King of the Sudan and of Egypt.—United Press.

Other casualties to date include an RAF officer shot in the lung, a non-commissioned officer reported wounded, and R. Chaplin, correspondent on the London Sunday Pictorial, who was wounded in the foot.

OFFICIAL FIGURES In Cairo, the Egyptian Interior Minister's office announced that nine Egyptians and four British soldiers had been killed today in a gun battle at Ismailia.

Interior Minister Fud Sirag el Din told a news conference that six Egyptian police and three Egyptian civilians had been killed and 15 Egyptian policemen and eight civilians wounded. He added that the British dead included two officers, a sergeant, a private and possibly some civilians.

A British military plane forced down by lack of fuel last night near Alexandria was released by the Egyptian Air Force today, but was held up by customs officials. They demanded the crew pay 255 Egyptian (\$18.55) in duties before it could take off. The four-man crew, enroute from Malta to the Canal zone, was taken into custody but was allowed to spend the night in a hotel and then freed by the Air Force. The Egyptians said the plane carried seven locked boxes of spare plane parts and diplomatic papers. The customs officials took the spare parts off the plane after

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Pan Mun Jom Impasse

THE persistent stalling tactics of the Communists at the Pan Mun Jom discussions taxes patience to its limits and creates deep suspicion of the Reds' desire or willingness to conclude an armistice in Korea. The UN Command has made an intelligent and what should be an easily acceptable offer to break the current impasse. The suggestion is that a 30-day truce in ground fighting be arranged to enable the senior delegates to discuss and reach an agreement on the rest of the armistice agenda, among which items is that of exchanging prisoners of war. Ground forces of both sides would remain on the existing battle line. This is, undoubtedly, a much more practical proposition than the Communists' idea of a de facto armistice which recognises no clear demarcation of the battle front line. The first requirement is an armistice based on the military factors governing the situation in Korea. The Communists give the appearance that they wish to ignore the realities of this situation and all along have advanced proposals which, if adopted, would entail the withdrawal of United Nations forces from important strategical and

tactical positions gained only after hard fighting and heavy losses. To surrender these military advantages without any guarantee that the Communists would be prepared to conclude an armistice of an enduring nature cannot seriously be considered by the United Nations Command. Clearly the Reds appreciate the relatively strong position which the Allied forces have won for themselves and are aware that if cease-fire negotiations are allowed to fail completely the United Nations could launch a powerful and effective offensive, capable of depriving the Reds of their existing military bases and of causing them further tremendous losses in manpower. The Communists are not in a position to bargain and they have much to gain by accepting the UN proposal for a trial truce. Further vacillation on their part in reaching agreement on fundamental armistice points can only weaken their own position. Responsibility for the cessation or continuation of hostilities rests squarely on the shoulders of the Communists. It is they who must make the decision.

Achievements Of The Embargo

THE US Assistant Secretary of State, Mr Willard Thorp, has promised that the economic embargo applied by 48 countries against the Chinese and Korean Communists, will be discussed at the General Assembly in Paris this week. He asserts that the embargo has helped to limit the strength of the Communist forces, for they were dependent on the outside world for certain things they needed. But he admits that China's own production, supplemented by supplies from the Soviet Union, made the Communist forces in Korea fairly self-sufficient in meeting their military requirements. Life was nevertheless being made much more difficult for them, and the pinch was being especially felt in such items as petroleum, cotton and transportation

equipment. He acknowledges that the Hongkong Government began applying real controls in August, 1950, and had "progressively extended their scope and severity." Japan, too, had tightened her trade controls. Japanese and Hongkong controls, he confesses, are very important, since historically Japan had traded actively with China, and because Hongkong is normally the main transshipment point in the area. Mr Thorp argues that the embargo has had a double value. It has helped to limit the military strength of the enemy in Korea and it has demonstrated that the free nations are willing to stand together to fight aggression both on the battlefield and in the marketplace.

US & The Iranian Oil Crisis

Radical Shift In Policy Possible

London, Nov. 18. The United States is considering a joint declaration with Britain on the Iranian oil crisis in what would be a "radical shift" in American policy in the Middle East, diplomatic sources said today.

Led by the Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, Britain has been pressing the United States to abandon its "third party" attitude and form a solid Anglo-American front on Middle Eastern policy questions. If the United States did so, it would require some compromise by Britain, the sources said.

The United States Ambassador, Mr Loy Henderson, and the British Counselor, Mr George Middleton, have been filing joint reports from Teheran which show the conflict, sources said.

The United States, fearing the fall of Dr Mohammed Moasadeq, the Prime Minister, coupled with an Iranian economic crisis would open the door to a Red coup d'etat.—United Press.

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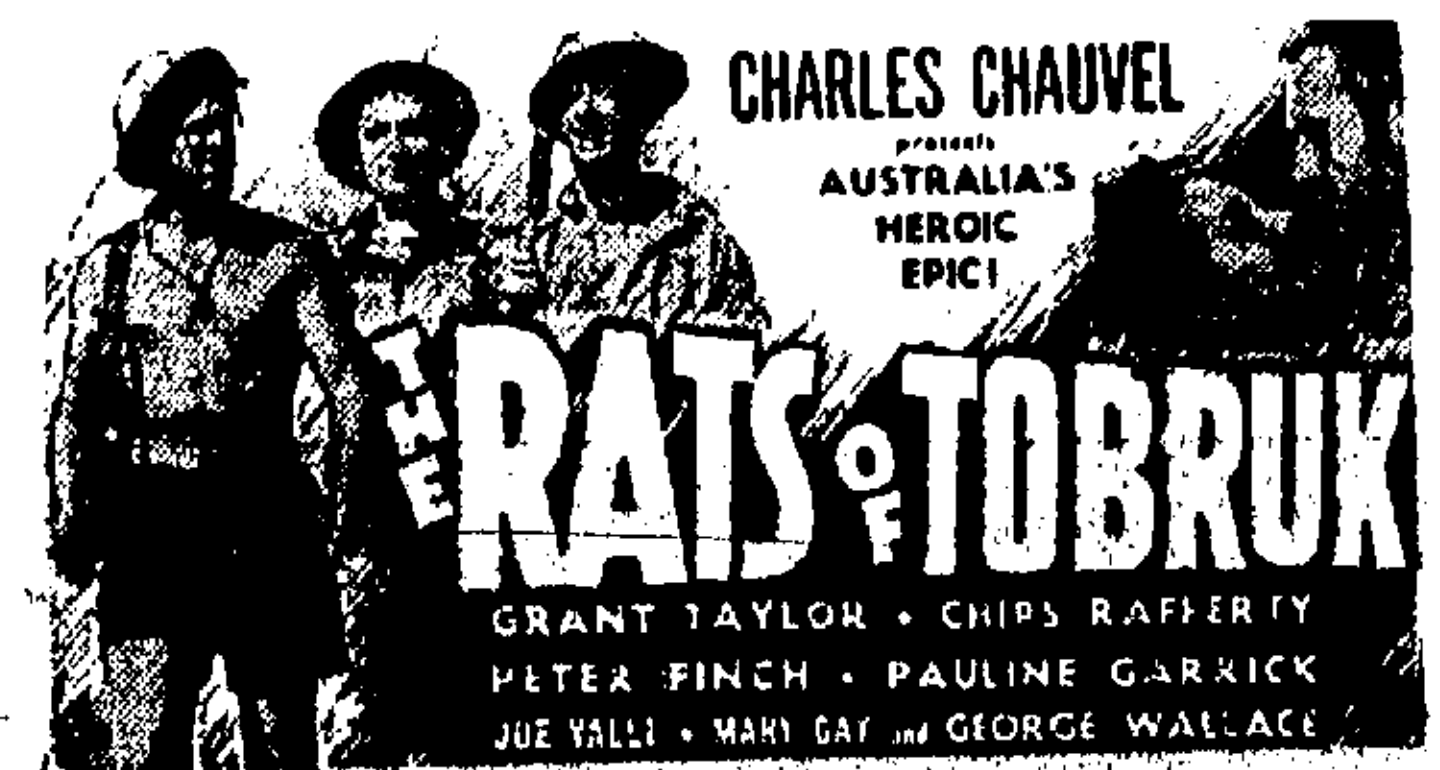
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Asia Officials To Confer

Singapore, Nov. 18. Britain's leading representatives in South-East Asia will meet next week at Bukit Serene, in Johore Bahru, near here, to exchange information and views on matters concerning the region, an official spokesman announced today.

Air Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner-General for South-East Asia, will preside at the conference which will last five days. The spokesman noted that the meeting was a regular yearly event.—Reuter.

MASSACRE INQUIRY DEMANDED

Washington, Nov. 18. Democratic Representative Ray Madden today called for a Congressional investigation of the reported mass slaughter of thousands of American prisoners of war by the Communists in Korea.

Rep. Madden said an inquiry is needed to establish facts for future war crimes trials.

An Army spokesman said the North Korean and Chinese forces of killing 6,000 Allied prisoners, 5,500 of them Americans, since the Korean war started. The alleged atrocities were first disclosed by Col. James Hanley, Eighth Army judge advocate in Korea.

General Matthew B. Ridgway, UN Far East Command, subsequently confirmed that atrocities have been committed but did not specify the number.

Rep. Madden said the proposed Congressional inquiry would be conducted by the special House committee on the Korean War in which he heads. He is to ask committee members to sponsor a House resolution to give it this authority. The special committee has been investigating the slaughter of 14,000 Poles, most of them Polish Army officers, in the Katyn Forest near Smolensk, Russia.

Committee Counsel John Mitchell said the committee soon may invite both the Russian and Polish governments to take part in the investigation. He said it also may seek to inspect the scene. The Polish government in exile in London accuses Russia of the World War I massacre. Russia accuses the Germans. The area in question was overrun by armies of both countries at different times.

"All available facts must be gathered and documented on both the Katyn Forest massacre and the reported murders of our boys in Korea in order to be available at some future day for another international trial similar to the recent Nuremberg and Tokyo trials," said a committee statement announcing Rep. Madden's proposal. The committee already has taken some testimony on the Katyn Forest case.—United Press.

Killing Was More Than Coincidence

Singapore, Nov. 18. On three separate occasions over a period of four months, material witnesses for the Government in cases where accused persons were to be tried for conspiring with Communists, terrorists were murdered before they could give evidence in court.

A Malay police sergeant and a constable proceeding from Kampar to Ipoh, a town in Perak State, were ambushed on the way. The sergeant was shot dead and the constable is missing.

They were to be witnesses in a case in which a Chinese woman is facing the capital charge of conspiring with armed bandits. The Deputy Public Prosecutor told the Judge that he was unable to proceed with the case as the constable and the missing constable were the only ones who saw the accused in the company of armed bandits. He also told the Judge that if the missing constable were not traced he would have to withdraw the charge against the accused.

Granting an application for postponement the Judge said it struck him that it could not be a coincidence. He suggested one method of investigation was to withhold the names of witnesses.—United Press.

Royalty At Thanksgiving Service In Athens



King Paul and Queen Frederika of Greece, followed by Prince Constantine and Princess Irene, leave the Greek Cathedral in Athens after Thanksgiving Service celebrating the anniversary of the restoration against Albanian fascists in 1940.—London Express.

Peking Mission In Moscow

Moscow, Nov. 18. A Chinese trade delegation arrived in Moscow today to work out details of a Chinese-Soviet trade exchange during the coming year.

The Chinese group, headed by Deputy Trade Minister Shao Tsan-ii, was met on its arrival by Soviet Deputy Foreign Trade Minister L. A. Yevrein.—Associated Press.

Earthquakes In Far East Recorded

London, Nov. 18. Observations in different parts of the world today registered earthquakes in the Far East, according to Reuter reports received in London.

From New York it was reported that severe tremors, probably in Indonesia, were recorded on the Forham University seismograph. A recent tremor followed a few minutes after the first.

The first earthquake was recorded at 9.45 a.m. GMT and the second about nine minutes later. It was estimated that the tremors were nine thousand miles away.

From Stuttgart, Germany, came the news that seismographs in Wuertemberg registered an unusually strong earthquake with its centre about 7,100 kilometres away, probably in Eastern Tibet.

Bombay recorded an earthquake shock of very great intensity with its epicentre about 4,500 kilometres away. The site of the tremor could not be pinpointed.—Reuter.

IN INDIA?

Cleveland, Nov. 18. A strong earthquake registered today on the John Carroll University seismograph. The school, which estimated it might have occurred in Northeast India, said the quake was recorded at 4.54:34 A.M. (Eastern Standard Time).

One quake was about 7,500 miles from Cleveland, a John Carroll spokesman said.—Associated Press.

EYES OFFERED FOR BLIND

London, Nov. 18. More than 150 persons have offered their eyes to a Sussex hospital for corneal grafting operations, which can restore sight to the blind.

Most of the eyes offered were for use after death but one man said: "One eye is good enough for the rest of my life. I would like to give the other."—Reuter.

Pope Encourages Flood Victims

Vatican City, Nov. 18.

Pope Pius XII tonight sent a message of encouragement to an estimated 150,000 Italians driven from their homes and robbed of their possession by disastrous floods.

"Courage, beloved children, may God lead you back to your dear homes," the Pope said.

The message was broadcast from Castel Gandolfo over the Vatican and Italian radio network.

The Pope said he had been following with great anxiety, from hour to hour, reports from the stricken area. "Do not forget God at this hour," he said, exhorting the faithful to find strength in their faith.

The Pope promised, "We have done and will go on doing all we can to alleviate your troubles, to help you in your misery."

(The Vatican has mobilised all its welfare bodies to accommodate thousands of homeless, especially children. It has contributed money, clothing and food.)

PEOPLE PRAISED

The Pope praised the Italian people for the spontaneous help they had so far given to the flood victims and urged them to continue in this spirit of Christian charity.

Meanwhile, the last of the 40,000 people of Rovigo, biggest town in the flood area, struggled through the night northwards with loud-speakers urging them to "evacuate immediately—there is no time to lose."

But the floods eased slightly during the day and hundreds returned to their homes.

Millions of Italians prayed throughout the country today for the safety of those in the threatened area. Collections were taken in every church and a host of offerings poured into Government offices.

CHILDREN TRAPPED

Hundreds of thousands of families offered shelter to the estimated 150,000 homeless. But most of these refugees refused to move any farther from their homes than necessary.

In the meantime every kind of craft, rushed overland from all parts of North Italy, was nosing through the mist and swirling current on rescue missions.

Desperate efforts were made to get through to the village of Arquà where 50 children were reported trapped in an old convent building—its walls crumbling under the onset of water.

Nobody knows how many hundreds of other people may be still hanging on to roof tops, trees and haystacks in the fog-bound world of water.—Reuter.

Up To Date At Last

Port Royal, Nov. 18. The Modern Age has caught up with the light-house at Shifnal's Point. After 70 years of service with an oil lamp, the light-house has been converted to electricity.—Reuter.

'TIGER MEN' REPORTED IN BURMA

Rangoon, Nov. 18.

Tigers turned human or with doctors who had assumed the form of tigers—known as "tiger men"—to inhabitants of the region—were believed to have killed six villagers in the Haka subdivision of the Chin Hills district, according to a report reaching here from Mandalay.

The bodies of the six dead men, found in jungle territory, bore the marks of tigers' claws.

The Chin Hills District forms Burma's western frontier with India. The area is inhabited by a sturdy, fair complexioned, picturesque hill people known as the Chins who live by farming and hunting. The Chins are adept at the use of the bow and arrow.

Villagers who reported the killing by the "tiger men" declined to give any information to the district authorities beyond stating that the "tiger men" had pounced on their victims from behind bushes.

This little-known hill tract has been the scene of a long and bitter struggle between the British and the late Brigadier-General Wingate and his gallant band of Allied fighting men, who comprised the "Long Range Penetration Group," parachuted into the area and made deep forays into then Japanese-occupied Burma.

General Wingate lost his life in a plane accident in the Chin Hills and was buried on the top of one of them.—United Press.

U.S. BOMBERS IN FRANCE

Bordeaux, Nov. 18.

Twelve B-26 bombers arrived at Mersin airport on Saturday, the first U.S. tactical air unit to be stationed on French soil since the war.

They are the vanguard of the 128th Light Bomber Squadron, which will be based here at the Atlantic anchor of the U.S. Army's supply line that reaches from Bordeaux to the combat troops in Germany.

Other planes in the squadron are due to arrive in the next few days.—Associated Press.

RUSSIA 'BEATING A DEAD HORSE' IN TRIESTE ISSUE

Washington, Nov. 18.

A State Department spokesman asserted today that the Russians are "beating a dead horse" with their charges about Western military development of Trieste, hoping to divert world attention from "Mr Vyshinsky's miserable failure at Paris."

Soviet Foreign Minister Vyshinsky told the United Nations General Assembly in Paris that he had stayed awake all night laughing about Western proposals for disarmament which were presented to the Assembly a week ago.

State Department officials have decided as they watched reaction to Mr Vyshinsky's performance that he made a "serious blunder."

The Iron Curtain countries' Press has failed to take a cue from Mr Vyshinsky, generally not reporting what he said about laughing. The belief here is that now the Kremlin sees that a serious proposal for ending the arms race comes too close to the lives and fortunes of the people to be dismissed with ridicule.

It was against this background that Press Officer Lincoln White said today that officials here are convinced that Russia's latest move on Trieste was an effort to revive an old issue as a diversion. The essence of the Russian charges, in notes given to the Western Ambassadors in Moscow, is that the United States, Britain and France are carving up the Trieste territory now to establish military and naval bases.

ANSWERED BEFORE. The note, which arrived here last night, renewed old complaints that the Western powers have long violated the Italian peace treaty which provided for the rule of the port city and territory between Italy and Yugoslavia.

Mr White said the same Russian charges had been answered before, both direct to Moscow and in the United Nations.

He noted that there had once been some talk about the possibility of building up Western military strength at Trieste to assure speedy assistance to Yugoslavia should that country be attacked by Soviet or satellite troops. But he said, any basis that ever existed for this kind of development had been swept away with the working out of military aid arrangements between Yugoslavia and the Western nations.

There is thus no basis in fact for the renewal of the Russian charges at this time, Mr White said, and it must be assumed that the Soviets were hard pressed for something to turn attention away from their failure at Paris.

Mr White said the Russians conveniently overlooked the real difficulty about advancing a solution of the Trieste problem. That, he declared, has been Russia's blocking of all efforts within the United Nations to carry out the provisions of the Italian peace treaty and name a Governor to run the territory. Russia has never been willing to accept any candidate put forth by the UN Security Council's Western majority, officials here said, despite the new note's contrary assertion.—Associated Press.

TO REJECT NOTE. Washington, Nov. 18. The United States will reject Russia's latest note on Trieste and go ahead with Big Three plans under the Italian treaty.

Russia yesterday accused the United States, Britain and France of violating the Italian treaty by agreeing to divide the free territory of Trieste between Yugoslavia and Italy.

The Russians claimed the move was aimed at strengthening the southern flank of General Eisenhower's European Army. They demanded that all foreign troops be withdrawn from Trieste and the United Nations Security Council act without delay to name a Governor for the area.

Diplomatic officials said the Department would reject the new Soviet note as it had all other notes issued by Moscow on Trieste and the Italian treaty. The Department is expected to deny anew that the United States is establishing any bases in Trieste.

A Department spokesman said: "The only reason the Free Territory is occupied

today is that the Russians have consistently fought every Allied effort, to appoint a Governor."

The Italian peace treaty provides that the city and its immediate environs be internationalized under a Governor acceptable to the Big Four powers. Russia and the West have never been able to agree on a suitable Governor.

Russia aired similar charges against the Big Three last April and again last June. Each Soviet protest was rejected in London, Paris and Washington.—United Press.

Red Agents Smuggled Into Turkey

Ankara, Nov. 18. Turkey has closed her frontier with Bulgaria because of the infiltration of "suspect" persons, the Foreign Office said today.

The Foreign Office, which served formal notice of the step in a note to Bulgaria, said the interlopers either were being smuggled across the frontier or were travelling on false visas.

The border was closed a week ago when reports were circulating that Communist agents, some equipped with radio transmitters, were being slipped into Turkey by devious means.

One of the devices reported to have been used was to disguise the agents as Bulgarian Moslems of Turkish descent, many of whom have been transferred to Turkey recently.

Bulgaria protested against the border closing, but Turkey replied that should "the motives which made this decision necessary disappear, the decision could be revoked, since Turkey will always hold its doors open to those co-religionists who desire to come and settle here."—Associated Press.

Kidnap Plot Reported

Srinagar, Nov. 18. An official source here said tonight a recent Pakistani plot to kidnap pro-Indian Prime Minister Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah of Kashmir was foiled by the loyalty of a pilot.

The official, who declined to permit use of his name, said that before Abdullah left Srinagar for New Delhi en route to Paris, "Pakistani agents" offered the pilot 100,000 rupees if he would fly to Lahore, in Pakistan, instead of Delhi, India.

The pilot went to the police, who are investigating, the official said.

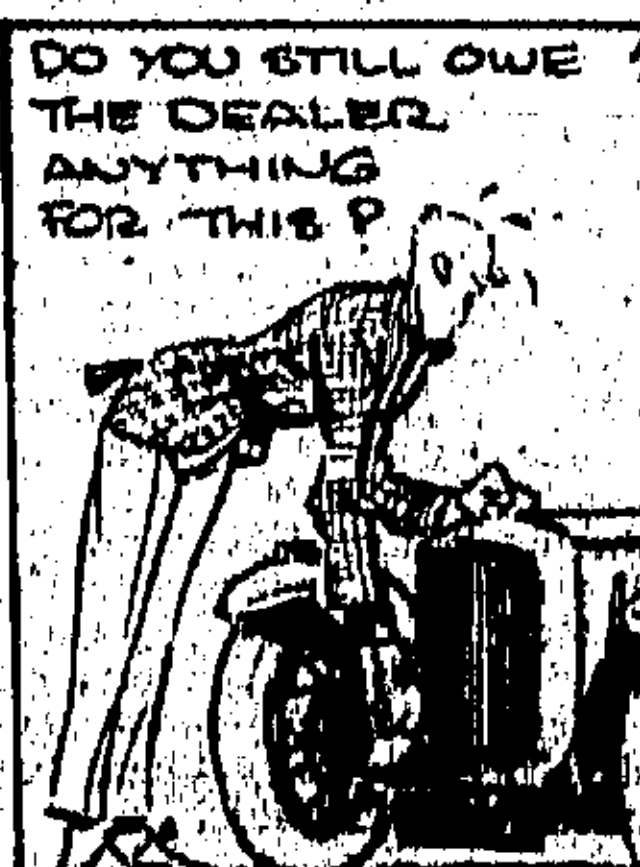
There is bitter feeling between Moslem Pakistan and Hindu India over Kashmir. Both countries want it. Abdullah is on India's side.—Associated Press.

ISRAEL MIGHT JOIN IN

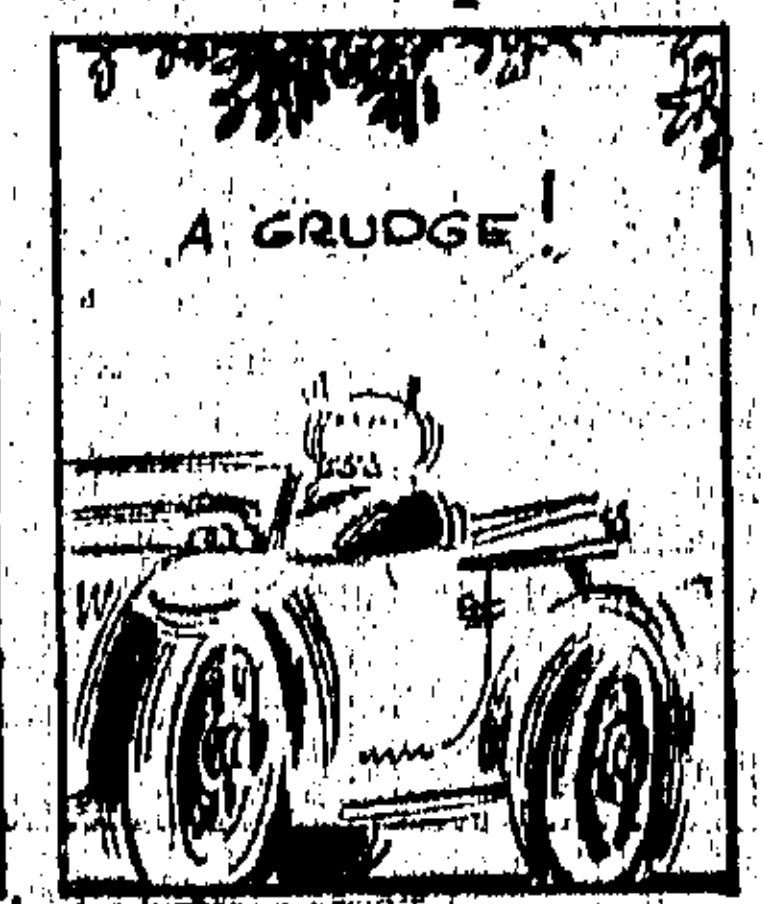
London, Nov. 18. Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett was reported today as saying Israel might favourably consider joining the Western powers' Middle Eastern defence organisation.

The Zionist Review, a weekly magazine, said Mr Sharett made the statement in an interview with its correspondent in Amsterdam.—Associated Press.

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Royal Tourists Relax



Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh pause in their tour of Canada for a two-day rest at Sainte Agathe in the Laurentian Mountains. They stayed at a lodge called Saran (Chai which means "serene happiness"). The Royal couple have since arrived back in London.—London Express.

Underwater TV Will Help Naval Divers

Washington, Nov. 18.

A television set-up which allows deep sea divers to look before they dive has been developed by the Navy to lessen the hazards and difficulties of underwater work.

The Navy took the wraps off the new development tonight in telling of an underwater TV camera to help divers know what dangers they are headed for before they descend on a job. Experts had been at work on the project for three years.

Actually, the US Navy made its first experiment in underwater television in the 1946 Bikini atomic experiments according to an announcement made by Rear Admiral Homer N. Wallin, Chief of the Bureau of Ships. A television camera lowered from a ship to depths up to 100 feet picked up images of objects up to 30 feet from the camera lens, Adm. Wallin said.

One of the chief values of the new equipment, the Admiral said, will be to reduce the time needed for underwater exploration of a sunken ship or repair work.

In deep water, the time a diver can spend on the bottom is only a fraction of the time he needs to adjust the pressures within his body to the changing pressures of the water. If he doesn't do that he gets the "bends" which can be fatal. Thus, if a diver is going down in 204 feet of water to spend from 20 to 30 minutes on the bottom, an additional time must be allowed for decompression as he ascends by slow stages.

With the new television equipment, which has a mo-

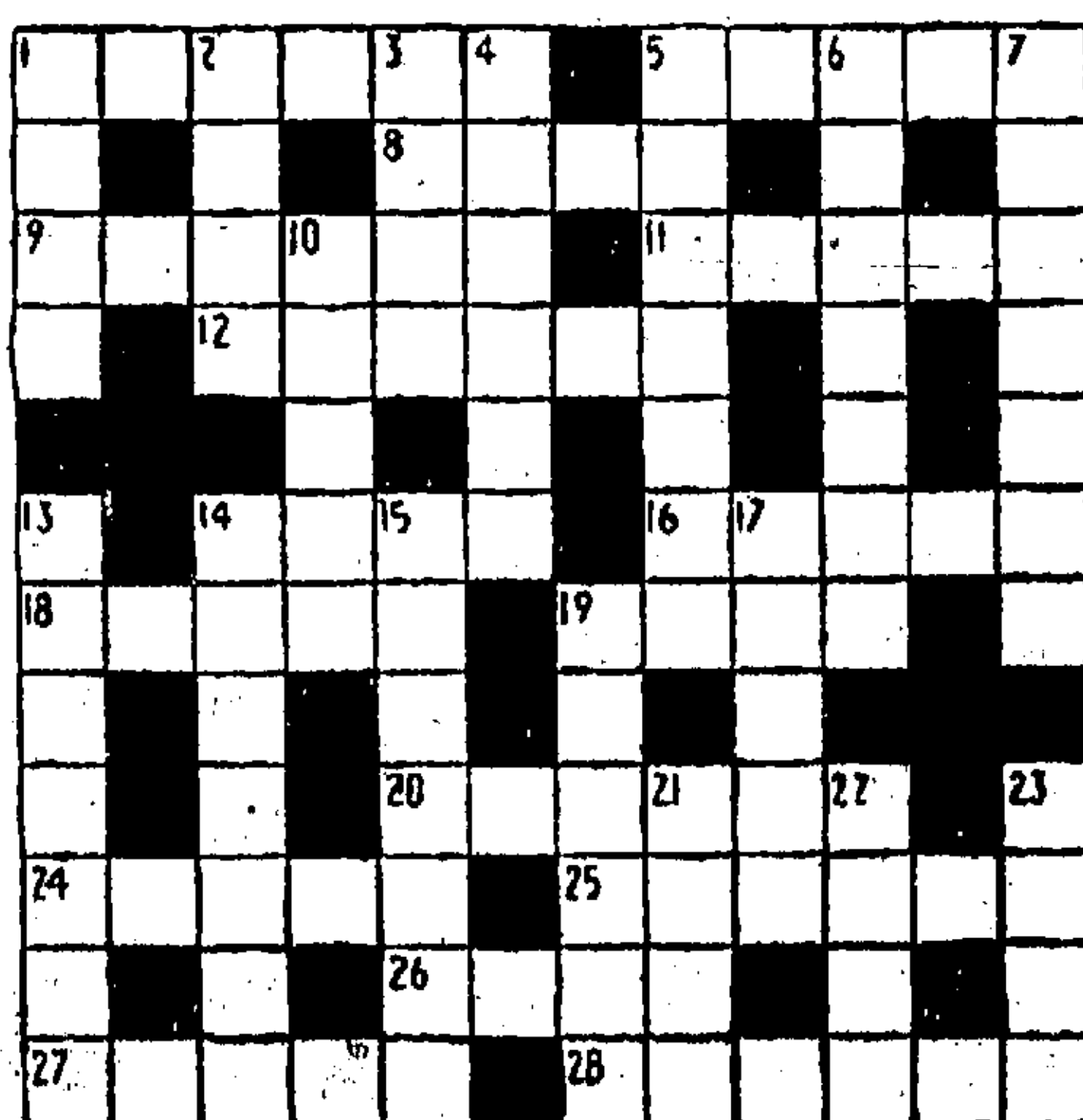
tor, a diver will be taken over by the camera. The camera, on a long cable, will be lowered through the television underwater eye.

In an earlier test, the camera was used to look at the hull of a ship. The camera was lowered to a depth of 400 feet and picked up images of the hull of the ship. The camera was then lowered to a depth of 100 feet and picked up images of the hull of the ship.

Under present methods, a diver makes his first descent on a job with little knowledge of what troubles may be found. He may come down onto the jagged steel edges of a wrecked ship, or being cut or his suit punctured. Twisted wreckage can foul his airline, trapping him unless he can free it himself or another diver can reach him.

Even sudden, unexpected changes in the ocean floor can cause trouble: a step into a hole can increase the pressure so swiftly that a "squeeze" occurs which can drive the diver's head into his helmet with crushing force.—Associated Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Thief (6).
 - Sufficient (6).
 - Sell (4).
 - Eastern language (6).
 - Abundance (6).
 - Venturesome (4).
 - Upset (5).
 - Liable (5).
 - Cleric (4).
 - Stew (6).
 - Commerce (5).
 - Trumpling (6).
 - Name (4).
 - Requires (5).
 - Tidy (5).
- DOWN**
- Harvest (4).
 - Beast (4).
 - Wickedness (4).
 - Register (6).
 - Contrary (7).
 - Sail (7).
 - Gain (7).
 - Staff (6).
 - Simple (7).
 - Servitude (7).
 - Diminishes (7).
 - Net so bright (5).
 - Discouraged (6).
 - Man (4).
 - Vex (4).
 - Old (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Samba, 4. Strait, 8. Holier, 10. Ape, 12. Noddy, 14. Prepare, 17. Base, 19. Emperor, 20. Quinine, 22. Lian, 23. Aster, 27. Vienna, 28. Elch, 30. Evolve, 31. Lenka, 32. Doyen, Down: 1. Scrap, 2. Miles, 3. Acute, 5. Road, 6. Spent, 7. Mollie, 9. Wotmen, 11. Slave, 13. Damsel, 16. Roub, 18. Pledge, 19. Soot, 20. Oat, 21. Tavern, 24. Savad, 25. Rally, 26. Sheet, 28. Black.

Iran Premier Starts His Trip Home

Washington, Nov. 18.

Iran's Premier, Mohammed Mossadegh, left for New York this afternoon on a chartered plane.

Before leaving he said "I am hopeful that an oil agreement can be reached in Teheran with American mediation despite the fact that we have done everything possible to reach one here."

Premier Mossadegh was bade farewell by the Assistant Secretary for Near East Affairs, George McGhee, and the Egyptian Ambassador, Abdul Rahim.

The Iranian Deputy Premier, Dr. Hossein Fatemi, said Mr. Mossadegh would spend four days in Cairo where he will be received by King Farouk. He said there was nothing new in the report as regards to the possibility of an oil agreement.

He gave reporters a written statement by Premier Mossadegh, saying: "My sojourn in the United States has convinced me that the freedom-loving people of America earnestly and sincerely desire a prompt liberty and prosperity throughout the world."

"FINAL SUCCESS"

"With these fifty motives, I firmly believe that destiny has placed the American people in a position to assist the freedom-loving nations of the world in political and economic fields and to maintain peace and security in the world. Your nations who desire to maintain friendly relations between peoples of the world have made strenuous efforts to find a solution for the oil problem. The utmost goodwill was also shown by the Iranian Government. Unfortunately no final result was achieved from these efforts."

Now, he said, I am happy to know that the American people are taking steps to assist the great people of the United States. These steps are of the greatest importance and value to the Iranian nation and will finally bring a permanent solution to the oil problem.

Premier Mossadegh was accompanied by a party of 29 Iranians.

Lieut. Col. Vernon Walters of General Dwight Eisenhower's Headquarters in France was present to interpret Mossadegh's farewell words to Mr. McGhee. Col. Walters had been previously stationed in Iran.—United Press.

Outburst By German Red Press

Berlin, Nov. 18.

All East German newspapers today called the West German intention to outlaw the Communist Party "an illegal step to prevent German unity."

The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, applied to the Constitutional Court at Karlsruhe on Friday for permission to ban the Communist and neo-Nazi Socialist Reich parties.

The Communist papers said that Hitler had also started his dictatorship with outlawing the Communists and that all other democratic parties and trade unions had followed.

The Neues Deutschland, newspaper of the Communist Socialist Unity Party, said, "In 1933 the Fascists had considerable support of the masses. Today, the Fascists and war-mongers have the people against them and there is also a democratic (East) German Republic."

German patriots are not without might, they should think twice before they put their fingers in such a dirty affair."

The German-language official Soviet newspaper, Tagliche Rundschau said that a ban of the Communist Party would be a sign of weakness. It would prove that the West German authorities had no other arguments against the "ideals of the peace and unity campaign."

The semi-official Berliner Zeitung said, "This seems to be the West German contribution to genuine free elections which Adenauer fears like a pestilence."—Reuter.

MOUNT ETNA IN ERUPTION

Catania, Nov. 18.

Fabled Mount Etna violently erupted today, painting the sides scarlet with flame. Reddish ash rained over a large section around the mountain. However, only the north-eastern crest appeared to be active. The main crater has not erupted and no inundated areas have been threatened.—Associated Press.

Goofy Is Out In The Cold



With outraged dignity (he was too slow in answering the refreshment call), Goofy the giraffe looks coldly down his nose when kept waiting for a drink offered by Keeper Robinson at the London Zoo. Taking precedence over Goofy are Happy and Maud.—Reuterphoto.

New Health Plan Drawn Up By Vietnam Doctors

Saigon, Nov. 18.

Vietnam has drawn up a new 10-year better health plan to slash the 2,800,000 day-units of labour which, statisticians say, the country is losing every year through sickness and tropical disease.

Because the 23 million population has only 87 Vietnamese doctors, 243 nurses, 263 midwives and 677 hospital orderlies, the scheme consists mainly of preventive measures.

In 10 years Vietnamese medical planners hope to spend 1,029,052,520 Indo-China piastres (about £20 million sterling) on building hospitals, clinics, dispensaries, etc.

But each year, also, they intend to devote anything between 250 million and 850 million piastres (between £5,000,000 and £17,000,000) to everything from more soap and water to the best and latest medicines and treatment which money can buy.

The rub is that no one is quite sure yet where the money is to come from, for Vietnam is in the throes of bitter war with Indo-China's Communist-led Vietminh rebels and is mobilising its men to meet the added threat of a possible Chinese intervention.

In implementing her plans, Vietnam is expected to look for help to France and the World Health Organisation, and for continued contributions from the United States special Marshall Plan Mission in Indo-China.

The better health programme will be starting almost from scratch, for the French colonial medical service has been almost badly dislocated by the long internal war. No more than city to pits and the records of the famous Pasteur Institute's research into such endemic diseases as malaria now remain.

SHORTAGE OF BEDS

Besides reconstructing and extending existing institutions, Vietnam plans to take its health services into the rice fields, where the fight will often be against ignorance of the elements.

Atomic Test Postponed

Las Vegas, Nov. 18.

An atomic test explosion tentatively due for this morning on the Atomic Energy Commission's proving ground near Las Vegas was unexpectedly called off.

The A. E. C. gave no reason for the postponement.

The test has been delayed for several days by storm and wind conditions on the Nevada desert.

The forthcoming series of tests is not expected to be as spectacular as the five blast set off between October 22 and November 5. The purpose of the new series is the study of the effects of atomic weapons on various structures and animals.—Reuter.

Iron Curtain Countries

Accused By US

Paris, Nov. 18.

The United States today submitted to the United Nations evidence of "wilful and systematic violation" by the Rumanian Government of freedom of expression, Press and publication.

The presentation said: "The Rumanian Government has in fact prohibited every form of expression which is not in accordance with the Government's Communist line."

The United States' presentation is in the form of a 195-page book containing 89 affidavits and including Rumanian Government decrees and accounts by exiled editors and political leaders.

The book cited as an example a report that any publication or map was banned by law if it showed that Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina, which were ceded to Russia six years ago, were once part of Rumania. "Actual ownership and management of all newspapers appearing in Rumania are either direct or indirect, by the Government itself or, what is the same thing in the Communist Party."

SOVIET VIOLATIONS

In a statement accompanying the affidavits, the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said: "Hardly has the signature of the Governments of Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania dried when the Russians violated basic guarantees which it was the purpose of the treaties of peace to assure."

"From its past performance, one may expect the Rumanian Government and other accused governments to say that the charges to which this evidence refers have not been proved, that its persecutions have been directed wholly to suppression of Nazism and Fascism and other self-saving movements."

"This will not do. Truth or falsity may best be determined by inquiries on the spot in Rumania and in Hungary and Bulgaria. Were the accused governments sincerely concerned with establishing truth, they would welcome a commission."—United Press.

Ants, For The Extermination Of

Pretoria, Nov. 18.

Mr. H. C. Cawood, asked the Public Works Department for carbon bisulphide for use in an ant-heap.

An official replied that the Department could issue the poison only if the ants to be exterminated were outside the building. If the ants were inside, the poison should come from the Health Department.

Mr. Cawood replied: "It is difficult to determine the intentions of the ants we are trying to exterminate. Some live inside and wander outside for food, while others live outside and forage inside."—Reuter.

Egypt And Bonn

Cairo, Nov. 18.

The Egyptian Cabinet decided today to recognise the West German Government and exchange diplomatic representatives.—United Press.

Expansion Of U.S. Air Force Hinted

Washington, Nov. 18.

Congressional sources expect an Administration request next year for added billions of dollars to speed expansion of air power. And chances appear good now that the request will be met.

Some lawmakers look for President Harry Truman to stress the need for more air power quickly in his messages to the new session of Congress which convenes shortly after the first of the year.

Three Senators, Edwin C. Johnson (Democrat—Colorado), Milton B. Young (Republican—North Dakota) and Henry C. Lodge (Republican—Massachusetts), are anxious to boost the nation's present air power.

And General Curtis LeMay, head of the Strategic Air Command (SAC), said last night that his air-levelethurs can launch swift retaliatory attack at any enemy, but that SAC has a gigantic task calling for more than a handful of bombers and atomic bombs.

"I'm all-minded," Senator Johnson told a reporter today. "That's the way to defend this country."

Senator Young, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said in a separate interview, "I'm a staunch supporter of the strongest possible air power to secure our supremacy for Asia and Europe."

"This striking force would be launched against the enemy's industrial force in the early days of the next war," he said, adding:

"We can insure that the battle fought in the battlefield will be (by strategic bombing) considerably shortened and less costly. This is a gigantic task. We cannot accomplish it with simply a handful of bombers and atomic bombs. If our Strategic Air Command is properly supported and we do our job properly, the results will insure our ultimate victory."—Associated Press.

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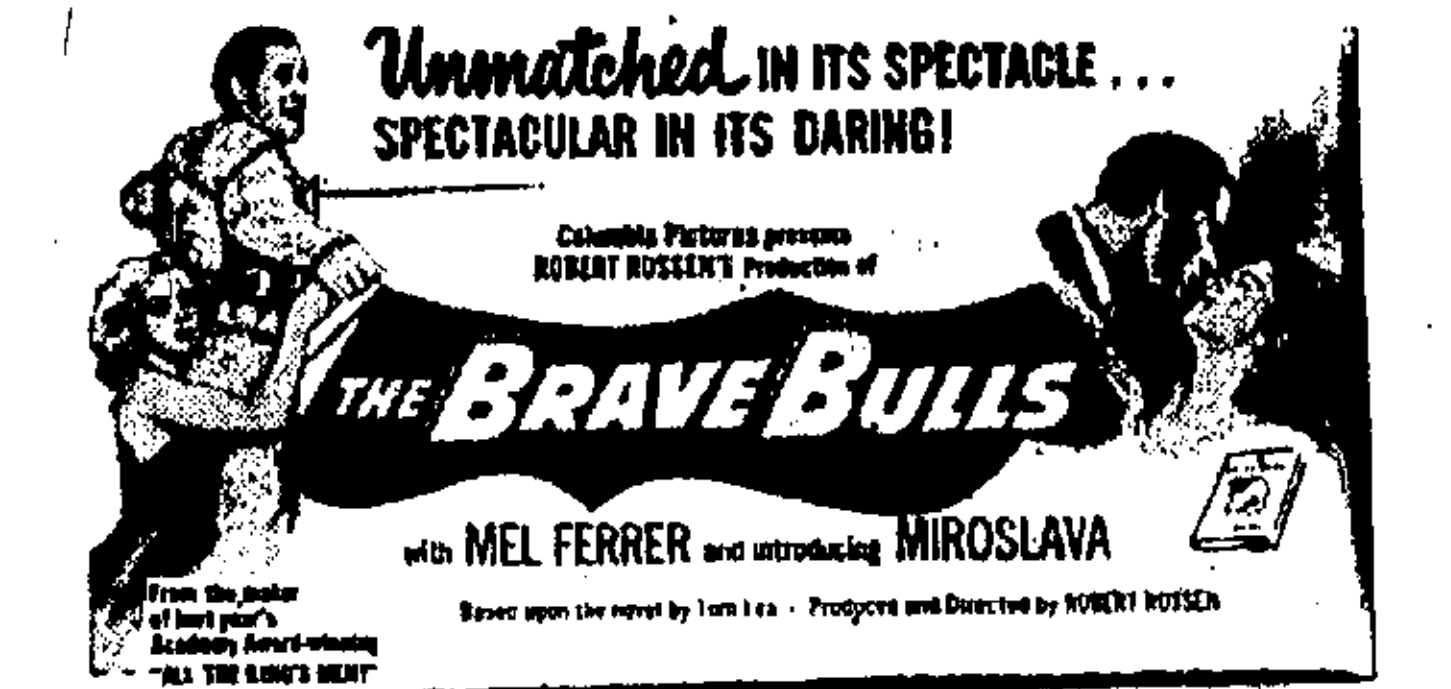


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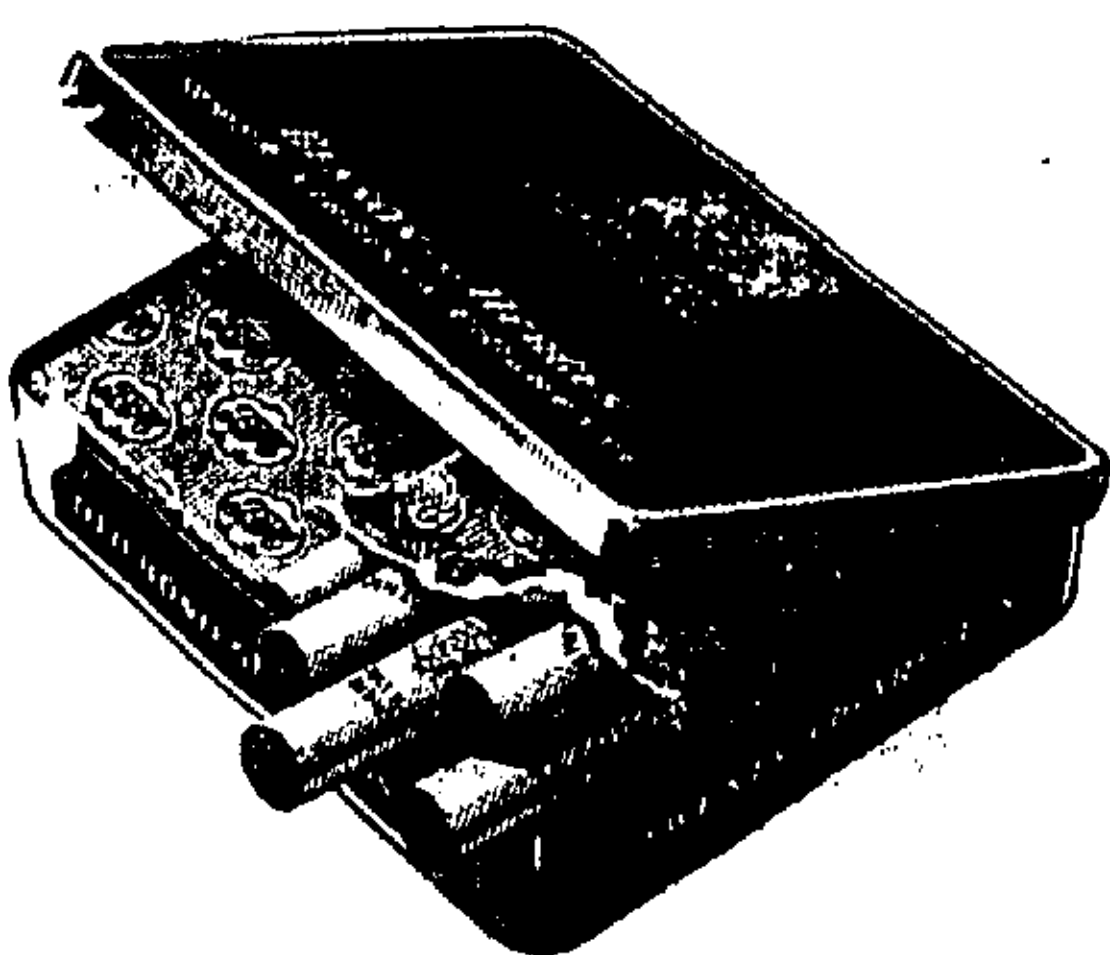
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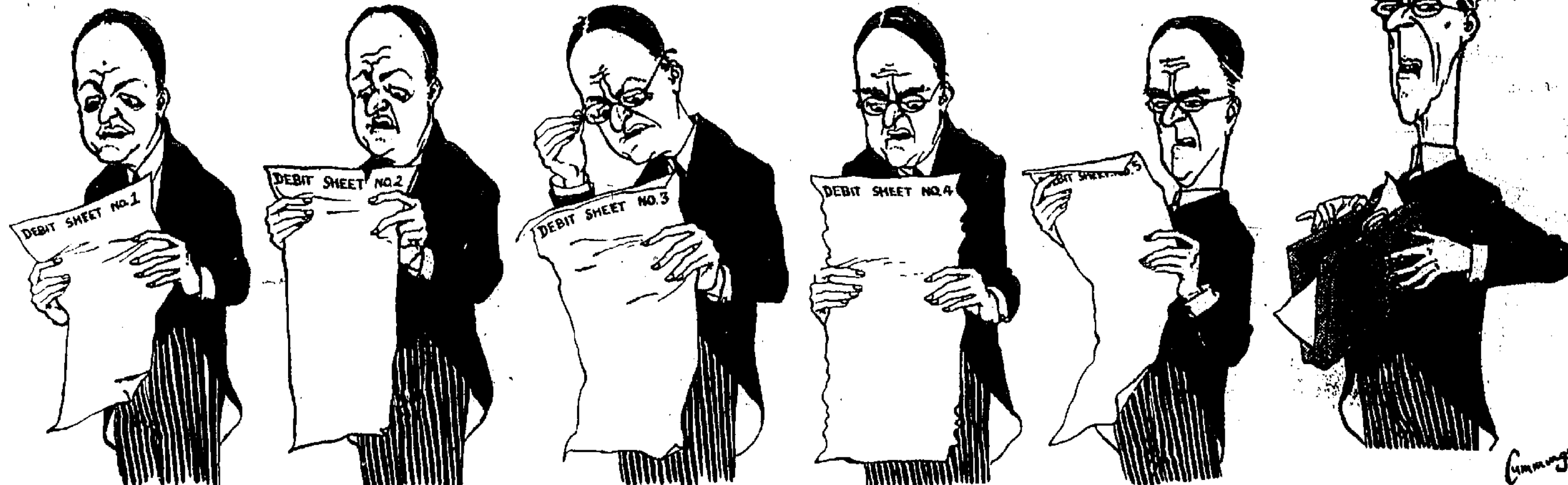
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"Goodness, I shall have to cut something here ...

... and lop a few things here ...

... and freeze something here ...

... and curtail THIS ...

... and prune here ...

... in fact an austerity to end all austerities ...

London Express Service

D-DAY.... HITLER'S TYRANNY DOOMED

Concluding "Closing The Ring," the fifth volume of Winston Churchill's World War II memoirs

D-Day had been fixed for the morning of June 5, 1944, but by June 3 weather prospects were causing anxiety. That night Mr Churchill, in his special train near Southampton, was informed that the operation would probably have to be postponed for 24 hours. Gen. Eisenhower would wait until the early hours of June 4 before making a definite decision.

THOSE who had seen the array in the Solent felt that the movement was now as impossible to stop as an avalanche. We were haunted by the knowledge that if the bad weather continued and the postponement had to be prolonged beyond June 7 we could not again get the necessary combination of moon and tide for at least another fortnight.

Meanwhile the troops had all been briefed. They clearly could not be kept on board these tiny ships indefinitely. How was a leakage to be prevented?

But the anxiety that everyone felt was in no way apparent at the dinner-table in the train. Field-Marshal Smuts was at his most entertaining. He told the story of the Boer surrender at Vereeniging in 1902—how he had impressed on his colleagues that it was no use fighting on and that they must throw themselves on the mercy of the British.

He had been assailed as a coward and a defeatist by his own friends, and he had spent the most difficult hour of his life. In the end however he had won through, had gone to Vereeniging, and peace was made.

The Field-Marshal then went on to speak about his experiences at the outbreak of the Second World War, when he had to cross the floor of the House and fight his own Prime Minister, who wished to remain neutral.

Postponement ordered
WE went to bed about half-past one. Ismay told me that he would wait up to hear the result of the morning conference. As there was nothing I could do about it, I said that I was not to be woken to hear the result. At 4.15 a.m. Eisenhower again met his commanders, and heard from the weather experts the ominous report: sky overcast, cloud ceiling low, strong south-westerly wind, with rain and moderate sea. The forecast for the 5th was even worse.

Reluctantly he ordered a postponement of the attack for 24 hours, and the whole vast army was put into reverse in accordance with a carefully prepared plan. All convoys at sea turned about and small craft sought shelter in convenient anchorages. Only 138 small vessels failed to receive the message, but this too was overtaken and turned round without arousing the suspicions of the enemy.

It was a hard day for the thousands of men crowded up in landing-craft all around the coast. The Americans who came from the West Country ports had the greatest distance to go and suffered most. At about five o'clock that morning Bedell Smith, again telephoned Ismay confirming the postponement, and Ismay went to bed. Half an hour later I woke up and sent for him. He told me the news. He says I made no comment. The early post brought me a letter from the President written a fortnight before and withheld for delivery till the fateful movement came. Alas I cannot find it. F.D.R. expressed in the most kindly terms his feelings about our joint work

and comradeship, and his hopes and longings for our success. I cabled a grateful but somewhat discursive reply.

Prime Minister to President Roosevelt, June 4, '44. I was so glad to get your charming letter of May 20. Our friendship is my greatest stand-by amid the ever-increasing complications of this exacting war.

I am here near Ike's headquarters in my train. His main preoccupation is the weather. There are wonderful sights to see with all these thousands of vessels. De Gaulle's committee by a large majority decided that he should accept my invitation to come here. He hummed and hawed, but Massigli and several others threatened to resign if he did not do so. We expect him on D minus 1. If he arrives, Eisenhower will see him for half an hour and explain to him the position exclusively in its military aspect.

I see some of your newspapers are upset at my references in the House of Commons to Spain. This is very unfair, as all I have done is to repeat my declaration of October, 1940. I only mentioned Franco's name to show how silly it was to identify Spain with him or him with Spain by means of caricatures. I do not care about Franco but I do not wish to have the Iberian Peninsula hostile to the British after the war. I do not know how I can depend on a de Gaulle France. Germany would have to be held down by main force, and we have a 20-years alliance with Russia. You must remember that we are very near to all this pleasant outlook.

We should not be able to agree here in attacking countries which have not molested us because we dislike their totalitarian form of government. I do not know whether there is more freedom in Stalin's Russia than in Franco's Spain. I have no intention to seek a quarrel with either.

Regret for bombings
PRESENTLY Mr Eden arrived with Gen. de Gaulle, who had just flown in from Algiers. I told de Gaulle that I had asked him to come because of the forthcoming operation. I could not do this by telegraph, and I felt that the history of our two countries required that the liberation of France must not be undertaken by the British and Americans without the French being informed.

I had intended to invite him a little before D-Day, but the weather had forced us to postpone the assault for 24 hours, and it might even be later. This was a grave fact. I then went on to say how much we regretted the bombing of the French railways, with its loss of French life, but we had fewer infantry than the Germans, and it was the only way we could stop them bringing up overpowering reinforcements while we built up our front. The General was bristling. He asked for an absolutely free right to telegraph to Algiers in his own cipher. As the recognised head of a great empire, he said, it was impossible to deny him direct right of communication. I asked him for an assurance that he would not forget any military in-

formation about the forthcoming assault. De Gaulle said that he must be free to keep in touch with Algiers about operations in Italy, and I explained that I was only talking about "Overlord." I then unfolded to him our plan.

After he had thanked me for this I asked if he would send a public message to France as soon as the armada had actually sailed. Queen Wilhelmina, King Haakon of Norway, and rulers of other countries which the enemy expected us to attack had agreed to do so, and I hoped he would do the same. He said he would.

Blunt speaking to De Gaulle

MR Eden now intervened in the conversation, saying that the great operation impending had taken all our thoughts, but after it was launched it might be useful to discuss certain political questions. I explained that I had been in correspondence with the President for some time, and that while he had begun by wanting the General to visit the United States he did not seem so anxious about it now. This was perhaps because of the way Gen. Giraud had been treated.

To this de Gaulle replied that he thought it was better at this moment to be in England rather than Washington. I warned him that "liberated France" might for some time only consist of a few people under fire, and both Eden and I strongly urged him to visit Mr Roosevelt soon.

De Gaulle said that he was quite willing to do this, and had so told the President, but he was anxious about who was to administer liberated France. This should have been arranged long ago, last September.

This remark made me speak bluntly. The United States and Great Britain were willing to risk the lives of scores of thousands of men to liberate France. Whether de Gaulle went to Washington or not was his own affair, but it was a split between the National Committee of Liberation and the United States we should almost certainly side with the Americans.

About the administration of liberated France, if Gen. de Gaulle wanted us to ask the President to give him the title—deeds of France the answer was "No." If he wanted us to ask the President to agree that the Committee was the principal body with whom he should deal in France the answer was "Yes."

Eisenhower explains

DE Gaulle replied that he quite understood that if the U.S.A. and France disagreed Britain would side with the U.S.A. With this ungracious remark the interview ended. In a little while I took him to Eisenhower's headquarters in the woodland, where he was most ceremoniously received. The and Bedell Smith vied with one another in their courtesy. Presently Ike took him to his map tent, and for 20 minutes imparted to him the whole story of what was about to happen. We then returned to my train. Western Powers may justly regard as the supreme climax of the war. Nor, though the road back to London by this, the might be long and hard, could

swiftest and most convenient route, but he drew himself up and stated that he preferred to motor with his French officers separately.

Decision to invade

THE hours dragged slowly by until, at 9.15 p.m. on the evening of June 4, another fateful conference opened at Eisenhower's battle headquarters. Conditions were bad, typical of December rather than June, but the weather experts gave some promise of a temporary improvement on the morning of the 6th. After this they predicted a return of rough weather for an indefinite period.

Faced with the desperate alternatives of accepting the immediate risks or of postponing the attack for at least a fortnight, Gen Eisenhower, with the advice of his commanders, held, and as it proved wisely, chose to go ahead with the operation, subject to final confirmation early on the following morning. At 4 a.m. on June 5 the die was irrevocably cast: the invasion would be launched on June 6. In retrospect this decision rightly evokes admiration, and was amply justified by events, and was largely responsible for gaining us the precious advantage of surprise. We now know that the German meteorological officers informed their High Command that invasion on the 5th or 6th of June would not be possible owing to stormy weather, which might last for several days.

The fact that such a complex series of movements could be accomplished without detection by a wary and determined enemy is a remarkable tribute to the work of the Allied Air Forces and the excellence of our deception plans.

Severe trial to troops

ALL day on June 5 the convoys bearing the spearhead of the invasion converged on the rendezvous south of the Isle of Wight. Thence, in an endless stream, led by the minesweepers on a wide front and protected on all sides by the might of the Allied Navies and Air Forces, the greatest armada that ever left our shores set out for the coast of France.

The rough conditions at sea were a severe trial to troops on the eve of battle, particularly in the terrible discomfort of the smaller craft. Yet, in spite of all, the vast movement was carried through with almost the precision of a parade, and, although casualties and delays as did occur, mostly to small craft in tow, had no appreciable effect on events.

Round all our coasts the network of defence was keyed to the highest pitch of activity. The Home Fleet was alert against any move by German surface ships, while air patrols watched the enemy coast from Norway to the Channel. Far out at sea, in the Western Approaches and in the Bay of Biscay, aircraft of Coastal Command, in great strength, supported by flotillas of destroyers, kept watch for possible enemy reactions. Our intelligence told us that over 60 U-boats were concentrated in the French Biscay ports ready to intervene when the moment came. This hour was now striking. Here then we reach what the Western Powers may justly regard as the supreme climax of the war. Nor, though the road back to London by this, the might be long and hard, could

we doubt that decisive victory would be gained. Africa was cleared. India had been defended from invasion. Japan, overstrained and disillusioned, was recoiling on her home land. All danger to Australia and New Zealand had passed away.

Italy was fighting on our side. The Russian Armies had driven the German invaders from their country. All the gains Hitler had acquired so swiftly from the Soviets three years before had vanished with staggering losses of men and equipment.

The Crimea had been cleared. The Polish frontiers had been reached. Rumania and Bulgaria were desperately seeking to escape the vengeance of their Eastern conquerors. Russia's new offensive timed with our continental landing was about to break.

All ships at sea

WHILE I sat in my chair in the Map Room of the Annex to the Admiralty, the capture of Rome arrived. The immense cross-Channel enterprise for the liberation of France had begun. All the ships were at sea. We had the mastery of the oceans and of the air.

The Hitler tyranny was doomed. Here then we might pause in thankfulness and take hope, not only for victory on all fronts and in all three elements, but also for a safe and happy future for tormented mankind.

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A DRUG which enables surgeons to perform intricate operations more safely and more swiftly than ever before is being tested in British hospitals.

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Dr George E. Halse, Enderby, of the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, now agitating to be called "doctor." Down-to-earth vets are opposing the change—for a surprising reason. They point out that the word "vet" has a much higher standing in the layman's mind than "doctor." Their argument: "To vet" anything is an honourable act, but "to doctor" it has a disreputable ring.

Reporting America

By R. M. MacColl

NEW YORK. Do you recall all that song and dance that went on about the rain-making in upper New York State last year?

Then the New York municipal authorities were cock-a-hoop at their "great success" in fighting the drought, and spent considerable sums on the new "scientific marvel."

For a while they basked in the warmth of popular acclaim and lucidly pooh-poohed any suggestion that there was little direct proof of any connection between rain-makers and rain.

Now things are rather different. One hundred and sixty-nine damage claims have been filed by residents of the Catskill Mountains region—they all took the rain-making experts at their word, they complain—and the total is the tidy little sum of \$763,750.

"New York City caused the storms that ruined my crops," is the complaint. And what is New York City doing about it?

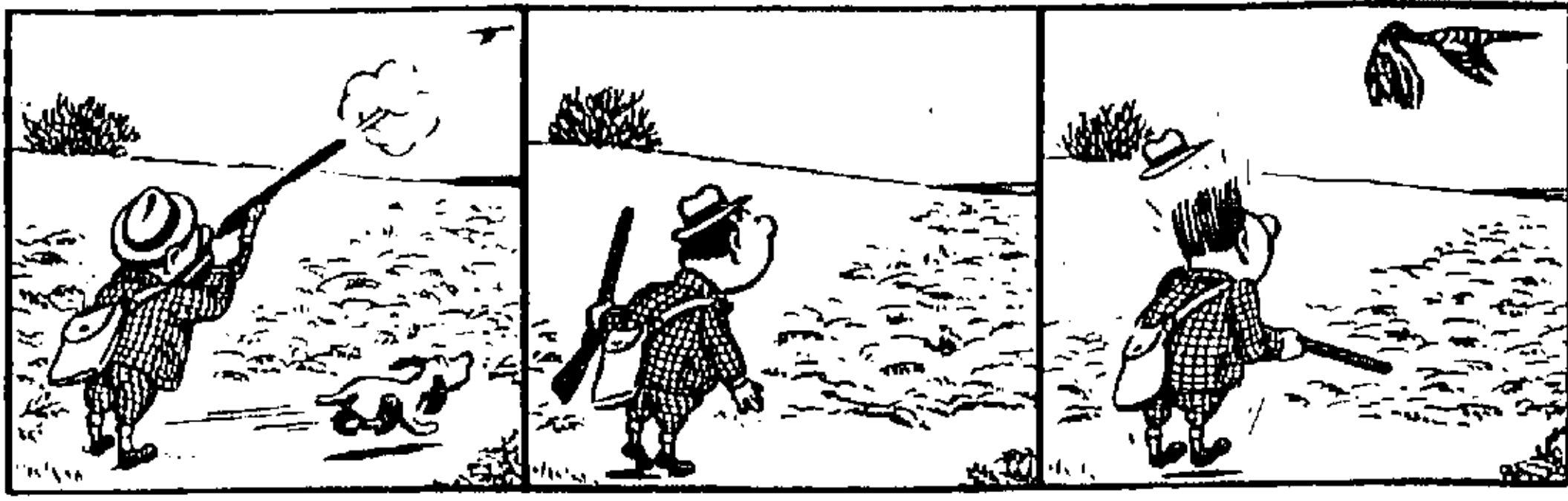
NEW YORK is considering a quick change in the title of some of its officials. Their job is defined as "receiving foreign diplomats and envoys and dignitaries, and setting up appointments for such persons." But in the books the Civil Service title for this post is "sewage treatment warden."

LYOYD MILLER, who lived with his wife and four small sons in a trailer near Somers, Connecticut, said: "I really must go and buy a new stove. That one we have is no good at all."

And off he went. On his way back from the village with the new stove he noticed clouds of smoke above his trailer. The old stove had somehow been upset and all four of his boys were dead.

SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



Two Brilliant Pitching Performance Highlighted Yesterday's Softball

By "GRANDSTAND"

Two brilliant pitching performances highlighted the week-end's Senior "A" Division softball games, Jackie Wei of the Pandas hurling a scoreless no-hit game and his mates helping him to a 3-0 shutout against the Canucks, while Vic Pedruco of the Jaguars handuffed the Caroliners for five frames before he yielded a single hit to spoil his perfect effort.

In the Ladies' League, the Wahos chalked up an easy 12-2 triumph over the Pooi To girls, but the Squaws were almost surprised by South China who, starting off as underdogs, finished the game with the tying run on base in a 9-7 setback.

The Warriors, in the "B" Division, duplicated their previous feat of turning back the Red Sox in their second-round game, this time by a 10-3 margin, while the "Albuquerque" replacing the "Exeter" as the League's 15 Navy team, trampled over the Americans 16-6 in a game which ended in darkness.

JAGUARS 6—SOUTH CHINA 1

Vic Pedruco of the Jaguars pitched a brilliant game against the Caroliners when he held the opposition hitless for five full frames, and only allowed two runners to get on base, both of them being walks.

Lefty C. M. Tsang of South China pitched Pedruco of a no-hit performance when he singled through short-stop in the sixth inning, but like the other times when he got on base, he was left stranded as his mates failed to follow up with a punch.

The Jaguars deserved their victory and only committed one bungle when left-fielder Gus Pereira raced in from the outer defence to snag a blooper, but furnished the attempt.

Both sides scored a run each in the first frame, under identical circumstances. Lead-off batters Tsang for South China and Steven Xavier for the Jags both reached third base, and scored on wild pitches.

For the rest of the game, the Caroliners were unable to penetrate the Jaguar's stonewall defence, while P. C. Wong, who was hurling a steady game up to the fourth inning, suddenly burst at the seams and allowed a trio of bunched-up hits to produce four runs, which just about broke the spirit of the South China boys.

Best batting performance was that of Steven Xavier, who beat out three infield hits in as many official times to the plate, while South China produced the fielding gem with a brilliant double-play in the first inning which snuffed an early attempt on the part of the Jaguars to build up a lead.

Igmur Erikson was on third base with only one away and the hit-and-run sign was on. Gus Pereira dumped the ball but Erikson was trapped between third and home, and after he was tagged out, an accurate relay across the diamond by S. C. Wong to W. K. Kan rubbed out Gus Pereira.

This loss puts South China almost out of the pennant race, with a record of four defeats against them.

PANDAS 3—CANADIANS 0

Although the Canucks suffered a shutout, they gave the Pandas a stiff fight all the way and if they could have solved just a few of Jackie Wei's pitches, the final result might have been different.

It was, Jackie Wei with his best with a no-hit, no-run victory to his credit.

The Pandas notched up the first marker of the game when Y. Y. Liang and Y. S. Liang singled in succession and for several innings the tally remained unchanged.

The Canucks lost two scoring chances in the meantime, firstly in the second frame when Y. F. Chan received a life on a wild throw, but the follow-up punch just wasn't there.

Again in the fourth, P. W. Po was perched on third base with only one away and failed to tag up when Kassa Nazarin poked out a deep fly to right field.

The Pandas went further ahead in the sixth inning when Lee Fun-bun beat out a bunt. Two singles by Wally Ma and C. Y. Lu in succession pushed two more runs over the plate.

WARRIORS 10—RED SOX 3 Pitching discovery, Sonny Machado, on the mound for the Warriors, out-duelled veteran Joey Franco yesterday morning when he fanned four while his mates whopped Joey Franco for 10 solid hits of

which Sonny contributed three, including a four-master.

Machado had a wild spell when he walked a cluster of Soxers but soon settled down to muzzle the enemy artillery. As a result of this victory, pennant talk is again rampant in the Warrior camp, and the USS Albuquerque outfit are the only ones to stand in their way.

Yesterday's massacre of the Americans by the Navy showed that the jags who replaced the "Exeter" outfit are long-ball hitters, but the pitching, though

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Evelyn Abbas made a futile attempt to connect for a hit and was fanned, but Helen Leong, coming up to bat with the whole decision hinging on just one single, safely contacted the horsehide for a blooper which went behind shortstop Stella Correa. Stella was awake to the importance of that blow and raced back in time to make a brilliant game-ending catch.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE GAMES

The Pandas, who had tried to obtain a postponement earlier in the week, failed to turn out a

full side against the Blackhawks and the game was unplayed, pending the decision of the Association to whether a replay is granted or not.

The Rexes kept pace with the leaders by accounting for the Bantams 12-6, the small brothers, A. G. and A. K. clouting out five of the six safe hits for their side, with a home-run thrown into the hitting spree.

Rexes scored six runs in the first inning and added another cluster of three in the third which salted away the decision for them. The Bantams' runs were earned in the third and fourth frames when Boulit was hit by a pitched ball, Newby walked and Cooper and Lamb hit safely. Those were the only two hits given up by pitcher A.K. Ismail.

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ARMY TAKE A RECORD AWAY FROM RAF

Campbell And Nicholson Knock Up 179 In 95 Minutes At Sookunpoo

By "RECORDER"

Army's Malcolm Campbell and Gordon Nicholson took a record away from the Royal Air Force yesterday when they knocked up 179 runs in 95 minutes, the 1st 159 of these in exactly 60 minutes, against Craigengower at Sookunpoo.

The old first wicket record, held by RAF's Ken Ball and "Tug" Wilson, was the 156 runs they put up against the Scorpions at Chater Road.

Army then unleashed its greatest ever bowling team on a well-rolled wicket and dismissed Craigengower for 38 runs. Major John Deighton allowed himself just two loose balls in 10.2 overs and had a single hit off each one, finishing up with the analysis of 10.2-8-2-5.

Army also served notice that they were going to win the League and the bowling combination of Deighton, Grace and Wolcombe may well be sufficient to do that.

EASY CONFIDENCE

It wasn't a particularly interesting week-end in the Cricket League and only the subtly easy confidence with which Jim Sellers batted against Army "B" saved the day for Kowloon Cricket Club.

In Saturday's match at Sookunpoo, Tom Harding's Army "B" lost five wickets for 28 runs against the Kowloon Cricket Club, finished up with 110 runs largely as a result of a sixth wicket stand for 53 runs by Pearson and Hoskins, and then took five KCC wickets for 55 runs.

The KCC innings opened confidently with Fali Kermani contributing 19 runs to the first wicket stand of 19. Pearson's good length and Grant's off-breaks then began playing havoc with the KCC wickets and five batsmen were back in the pavilion for 55 runs.

The combination of Pat Dodge and Jim Sellers, settled down at this stage to batting with easy confidence and the skipper, who once played for the Boston Ramblers against a Bristol University team that included Pat, decided that he was still quite able to take his wicket. He did in his only League bowling spell this season.

There was no guile that could get past Sellers, however. He kept smacking the best laid plans about in good Saturday afternoon spirit and contributed 35. It saved the KCC's position in the Championship race.

SPIRIT UPHELD

The spirit of good afternoon cricket was upheld in both matches over the week-end—at Kai Tak and Sookunpoo—where

Craigengower went down successively to RAF and Army.

In Saturday's match, Roy Kingsford's unexplainably deadly slow off-breaks took six Craigengower wickets for 33 runs and only Tommy Crabtree's confident 27 allowed the Valley Club's score to reach the fairly respectable figure of 85.

The Airmen lost Ball in over-taking this and two other wickets as well, but "Tug" Wilson, on the road to a fantastic batting average, contributed an undefeated 50. Capt Campbell hit five fifts and a six for his undefeated 76 against Craigengower at Sookunpoo and Captain Nicholson reached the boundary 13 times in his undefeated 93.

Craigengower's batting collapsed under the deadly accuracy of Deighton's dead on the wicket bowling, except for Len White, who stayed in 30 minutes for his six runs.

At Pokfulam, Scorpions, aided by Harry Owen-Hughes' five wickets in what was described as his greatest bowling performance in years, easily accounted for University.

SECOND DIVISION

In the Second Division, KCC surprisingly dismissed a strong Police batting side for 13 runs. The Police were three players short.

Dockyard surprised Recto, King George V School beat the Indian Recreation Club in a very close finish, and the Diocesan Boys' School took four points from University.

Spooner And Graveney Score Centuries In "Test" With Pakistan

Lahore, Nov. 18.

Dick Spooner, the Warwickshire lefthander, and Tom Graveney (Gloucestershire) scored centuries today for the MCC who, finding their best batting form, scored 368 runs for one wicket and forced a draw with Pakistan in the unofficial Test.

Spooner, back in his old opening position, batted splendidly for 168 runs not out. He and Graveney, who was 109 runs not out, added 259 in an unbroken stand for the second wicket.

Jack Robertson (Middlesex), who opened with Spooner, claimed 70 runs in an opening partnership of 109 with Spooner before being dismissed. The MCC, needing 112 runs to avert an innings defeat when play was resumed, actually finished up 194 runs ahead with nine wickets still standing at the end.

They had made 254 runs in their first innings, to which Pakistan replied with 428 runs for nine wickets declared for a lead of 174.

Robertson hit the first ball of the day, from Spooner. All for four runs and continued to seek boundaries. He included eight of them in his first 50, scored in 75 minutes.

Nine runs later Robertson, going out to drive a leg break from Amir Elahi, missed and was stumped. He hit 11 fours in his 70 runs, scored in 110 minutes.

Graveney made a good start, on-driving the first ball he received for four. Then Spooner, three times in quick succession, went down on one knee and swept Elahi to the leg boundary.

After this burst of scoring, the bowling was lightened up and runs came a little faster. Robertson, bowled a good length and Elahi always needed watchful backing. Of his ability to play long and occasional extra

Spooner completed a solid 50 runs after two hours and 25 minutes.

Graveney was not as dominating as usual, but he scored singles easily. The innings were cleared with nine wickets still standing and at lunch the MCC were 179 runs for the loss of one wicket.

The new ball, taken shortly after lunch, did nothing to disturb the batsmen, and the second century stand came in as many minutes.

When Manuwar Ali Khan bowled round the wicket to the left-handed Spooner, the batsman objected to him finishing his run across the spot where a good ball from the other end would land.

Manuwar then changed back to over the wicket.

Graveney, when 36, ducked into a bouncer from Khan Mohammed. The ball, which did not lift much, struck Graveney on the head but he was able to resume after receiving attention.

Following this a fine off-drive for his 16th four gave Spooner his first century of the tour. He scored his runs out of 225 in 220 minutes—Reuter.

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here, unless notice has been given

48 hours prior to vessel's arrival,

but carried on from port to port

to the final port of call to which

the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after

the Goods have left the Godowns,

and all goods remaining undelivered

after the 24th November, 1951, will

be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on

23rd November, 1951 at 10 a.m. by

our Surveyors Messrs Goddard &

Douglas.

To comply with the General

Bonded Warehouse Regulations con-

signees must have a Revenue Officer

in attendance when damaged duti-

able goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before

the 17th December, 1951, or they

will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

JEBSEN & CO.

Agents.

Hong Kong, 17th November, 1951.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

BARBER-WILHELMSEN LINE

M.S. "TALLEYRAND"

Consignees per

are hereby notified that their cargo

is being discharged into the Hong

Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown

Company's godowns at Kowloon,

where delivery may be obtained as

soon as the goods are landed.

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will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hong Kong, 16th November, 1951.



PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL S.N. CO.

PASSENGER /FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves London	Arrives Hongkong
"CARTHAGE"	18th October	18th November
"CHUSAN"	2nd November	30th November
"CORFU"	15th November	17th December
"CANTON"	13th December	14th January

Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.

Homewards

Leaves Hongkong Due London

22nd November 23rd December

4th December 31st December

21st December 21st January

18th January 18th February

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bom-

bay, Aden & London.

FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Due Hongkong	From
"SINGAPORE"	21st November	London & Continent
"SOMALI"	11th December	do
"TREVISE"	20th December	do

Homewards

Leaves Hongkong For

11th December London & Continent

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Colombo, Aden, Genoa, Marseilles, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam, with liberty to call at Bombay if inducement offers.

Tanks available for carriage of oil in Bulk.

Space for refrigerated cargo. Limited passenger accommodation.

BRITISH INDIA S.N. CO., LTD.

"WARLA"	due 24th Nov.	from Japan
	sails 26th Nov.	for Singapore & Chittagong

(These vessels have refrigerated cargo space)

P. & O. B. I. JOINT SERVICE

"OBRA"	due 30th Nov.	from Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & Singapore for Japan
"ORNA"	sails 1st Dec.	for Japan
	due 6th Dec.	from Japan
	sails 7th Dec.	for Singapore, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi

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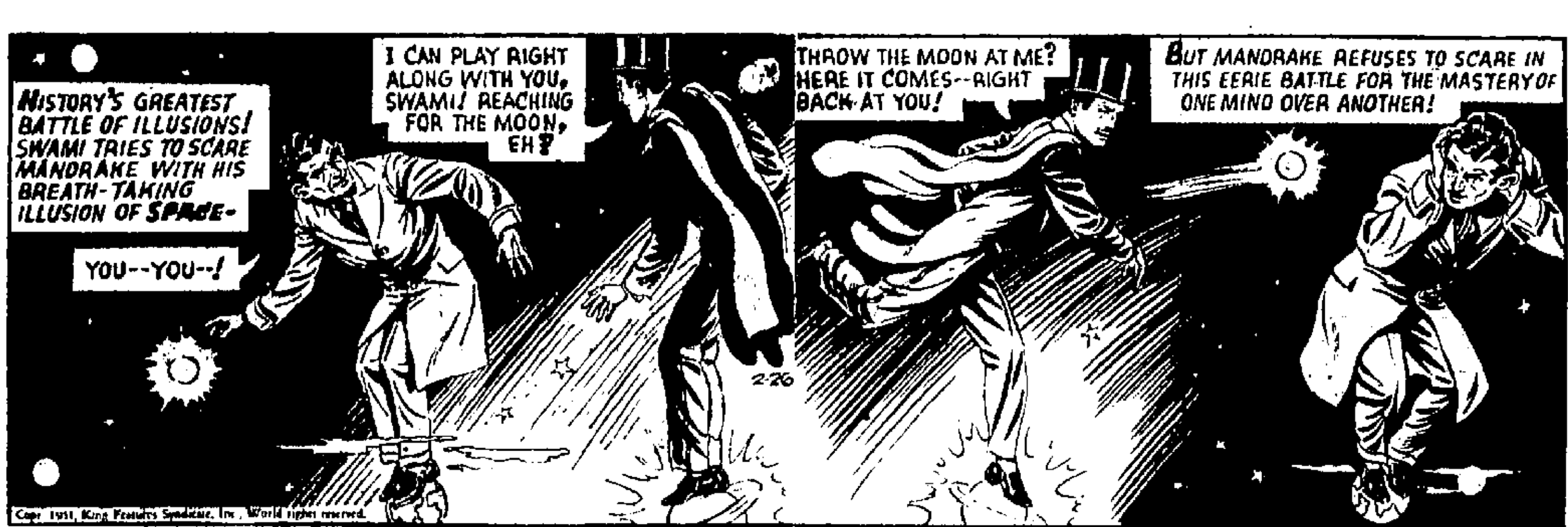
"EASTERN"	sails 28th Nov.	for Auckland, Wellington, Port Chalmers & Melbourne
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All vessels have liberty to call at any ports on or off the route & the route & sailing are subject to change or amendment with or without notice.

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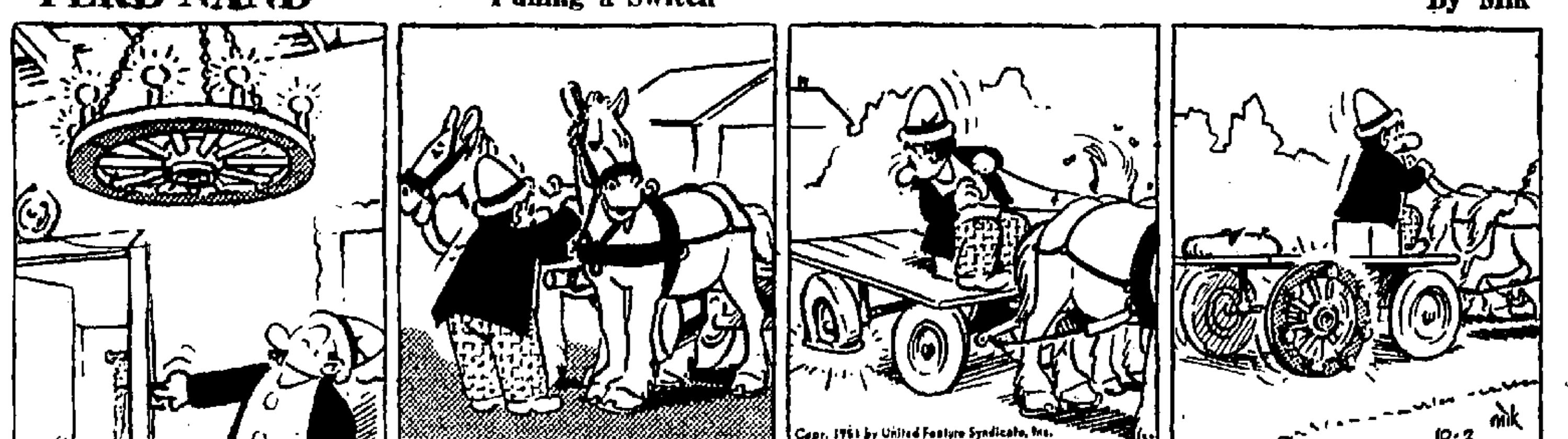
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Pulling a Switch

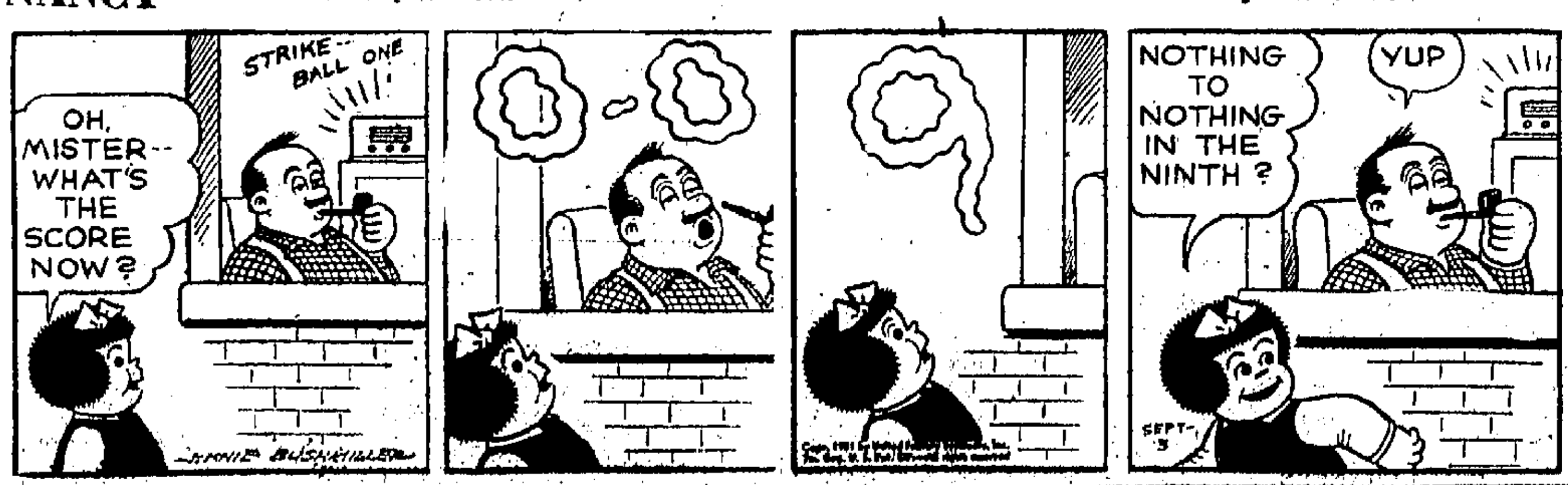
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Puff-ectly Obvious

By Ernie Bushmiller



JOHNNY HAZARD

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES



Arriving	Leaving	Outward For
"FELIX ROUSSEL" Dec. 6	Dec. 7	Marseilles
"BIR HAKEIM" Dec. 12	Dec. 18	Japan
Homeward For		
"MONKAT" Dec. 4	Dec. 5	N. Africa & Europe
"FELIX ROUSSEL" Dec. 6	Dec. 7	Manila, Saigon & Marseilles
"BASTIA" Dec. 26	Dec. 27	N. Africa & Europe

* passengers & freight
† freight for Saigon, Port Said, Tunis, Algiers, Oran, Tangier, Casablanca, Havre, Dunkirk, Antwerp & Rotterdam.

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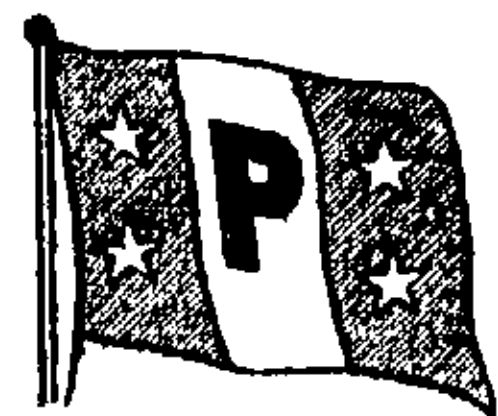
NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SAILS: THURSDAY the 22nd November at 12.00 noon for the UNITED KINGDOM via Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said.

BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co's Godown at No. 2 GATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE BY NOON on WEDNESDAY the 21st November.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co's Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place on Thursday the 22nd November between 9.30 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.



PATTISON ORIENT LINE LIMITED

Due From: Sails For:
"LAURE PATTISON" Kobe DIRECT Pusan & Japan, Nov. 23rd
12-14 Queen's Road C. Tel: 25346

Chinese Agents:

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Trade Pact New Fibres Extension Expected To Affect Wool

Tokyo, Nov. 18. The Netherlands' \$7,300,000-a-year trade agreement with Japan will be extended after the Japanese Peace Treaty becomes effective, trade sources say.

The present agreement was signed on April 13 by the Netherlands and Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's occupation headquarters. It is due to expire when the Peace Treaty is ratified. It will be continued until a new one can be concluded.

Letters continuing the present agreement will be exchanged between Ambassador P. E. Toppema, head of the Netherlands Mission to Japan, and Vice-Foreign Minister Sadao Iguchi.

General Ridgway's headquarters plan to transfer the Dutch-Japanese open account funds now under its control to the Japanese Government. Associated Press.

Steel Capacity

New York, Nov. 18. The American Iron and Steel Institute reported that the nation's steel industry expected to operate this week at 101.1 per cent of rated capacity or 2,021,000 tons.

Business Failures

New York, Nov. 18. Business failures in the U.S. increased to 150 in the week ended November 8 from 143 the previous week. Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., reported. In the like week a year ago, there were 135. Associated Press.

INVESTORS NOT HAPPY

Absence Of Firm Action On Inflation

Oil Company Expansion Of Production

London, Nov. 17. Expansion of the production and refinery capacity of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company outside Persia was detailed in a statement issued by the company last night.

The statement said their biggest source is Kuwait where they have an equal share with the American Gulf Oil Corporation in a field approaching the 40,000,000 tons a year mark.

This is more than Persia used to produce, it was added.

The company holds 23 1/2 per cent of the shares of the Iraq Petroleum Company's exploitation of the Iraq and Gatar fields which have a joint production rate of 10,000,000 tons.

The Nottinghamshire oilfields yield about 45,000 tons a year and Scottish shale oil adds 110,000 tons.

The effects of accelerated refinery expansion are already being felt, the statement continued. The completed plan would contribute 10,000,000 tons a year to the total petroleum production refined in the United Kingdom.

Plant modification at Llandarcy, South Wales, has already been boosted throughout from 3,000,000 tons to 4,000,000 tons a year. That figure will be equalled by the end of next year by the Isle of Grain refinery in Kent, now being built.

With a total capacity of 1,800,000 tons, Grangemouth, Scotland, is actually producing 2,250,000 tons annually. The other Scottish refinery at Pumphinstown handles 180,000 tons of shale oil and Nottinghamshire crude oil. Its shipping organisation, the British Tanker Company, has 15 ships in service and another 27 are being built or on order. Reuter.

UK Yards Building For Norway

London, Nov. 18.

One-sixth of the shipping tonnage on order at British shipyards is for Norwegian account, shipping experts in London estimate.

British shipbuilders have orders on hand for 6,000,000 tons of vessels. At the present rate of building, this is equal to about five years' work.

About 4,000,000 tons of these orders are for British shipowners, almost 1,000,000 tons for Norway and the remainder for a wide variety of foreign buyers.

At this rate, British yards are handling bigger Norwegian orders than yards in Norway itself, according to latest advice from Oslo, are building some 750,000 tons of new ships.

British shipbuilders claim that their prices are still as low as any in the world, but because of the five-year lag in deliveries many orders are being diverted to German and Japanese yards.

But British shipbuilding costs are rising as a result of the shortage of steel and the likelihood of further wage demands from shipyard workers, and yards which signed contracts at fixed prices some years ago may now stand to lose heavily by the time the ships are delivered. United Press.

Food Index In America

New York, Nov. 18.

U.S. wholesale food prices, as measured by the Dun and Bradstreet index, turned upward this week for the first time in six weeks.

At \$6.67 the index compared with \$6.64 last week (Nov. 11, 1951 to date), and with \$6.50 a year ago. Associated Press.

EXPORT QUOTAS UNLIKELY

Washington, Nov. 18.

The U.S. Government is not expected to re-impose export quotas on cotton unless there is a wave of scare buying, an official said.

However, other experts considered export limits likely since this season's crop has been estimated at slightly more than 6,000,000 bales of 500 pounds with contracts for 8,000,000 already made. Associated Press.

Dissatisfaction With Tory Measures To Fight Crisis

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Nov. 18. Ten days after the announcement of Mr Butler's programme for eliminating the trade deficit there is still no precise indication of the possible efficacy of the proposed measures.

The stock markets—usually the first to produce a reliable assessment of economic prospects—have remained dull and uneasy. Even the banks, to whom many people are looking for a lead, seem bewildered.

Gilt-edged prices have moved erratically and no definite trend has emerged. On balance, however, prices have declined and this has been due mainly to selling of gilt-edged securities without the offset of a comparable amount of buying.

Institutional investors are in these circumstances, in no hurry to support the market. As a result, the Financial Times index of gilt-edged security prices fell to 99.68—a new "low"—on Friday, compared with 100.65 on the day of Mr Butler's speech, and 102.21 on election day.

Industrial share prices have naturally been influenced by this weakness in the gilt-edged market. The index for the combined futures to 128.3 on Friday compared with 131.4 ten days previously.

This is a fall of no less than 10 points since election day. Commodity shares have fared no better, and the opinion has been expressed that the rise in this section over the past year on the expectation of higher profits has passed its peak.

MARKET WORRIED

The behaviour of the stock markets indicates that investors are by no means happy about the future of Mr Butler's proposals for meeting it half-way.

The absence of firm disinflationary action is worrying the gilt-edged market while shortages of coal and steel—two major production—are responsible for the uneasiness in the industrial section of the market.

There seems to be a general inclination to postpone decisions. Nobody—at least of the City—is under the impression that the Chancellor has spoken his last word.

Mr Churchill has stressed the need for more time "for the remedies we propose, and will propose, to produce their curative effects."

Nobody is disposed to quarrel with this statement but neither is anybody prepared to gamble on the result.

THE ANSWER

First indication of a definite policy for correcting the adverse balance of payments—not only that of the U.K. but also that of the whole Sterling Area—may not come until after the meeting of Commonwealth Finance Ministers next January.

This meeting is expected to result in an agreement to restrict imports into all Sterling Area countries, especially from Western Europe.

Australia must be one of the first to reduce her imports from Europe, and the decision to this effect may even come before the Commonwealth Ministers meet.

Increased Commonwealth imports from Europe, which have now resulted in a large Sterling Area deficit with the European Payments Union involving a substantial loss of gold, are largely the result of the United Kingdom's failure—through rearmament and home inflation—to export the goods the Commonwealth needs.

Answer to the problem must, therefore, be sought not only in a restriction of imports—which merely increases home inflation and invites retaliation from the exporting countries concerned—but also in the expansion of the United Kingdom's exports, combined with a determined attack on inflation.

Remedies of this nature may be among the next batch of measures the Chancellor will propose.

EMPIRE'S STRENGTH

Meanwhile the report on Commonwealth trade in 1950 published yesterday by the Commonwealth Economic Committee underlines the extent of the recent deterioration and gives point to the concluding remarks of the Chancellor's speech.

"The figures of deficits in our economy are large," Mr Butler said, "but look at our resources. Look at the wide range and strength of our Commonwealth of Nations. Think of the latent power of this great confederacy. Look at the inherent strength of our own economy."

The wide range and strength of Commonwealth resources is apparent on every page of the C. E. C. report. Last year, Commonwealth (including Canada) exports accounted for 30 per cent of the total value of world exports (excluding Russia and other Communist countries).

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$403,375.50. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
HK Bank 1500 20 @ 1000
East Asia 122 10 @ 1000

INSURANCES
Union 777 6
Underwriters HK Fire 146 6

DOCKS, ETC
K Wharf 300 @ 100
N P Wharf 6.90
Provident 13.40 134 500 @ 15.80

Wheelock 30 800 @ 30.10
LAND, ETC
HK Hotel 5.80 6 1000 @ 5.85
HK Land 51 53 415 @ 51.15

Utilities
Tram 16.70 12 2000 @ 16.70
Star Ferry C Light (O) 9.45 9.85 200 @ 9.75

C Light (N) 6 3200 @ 6.15
C Light (B) 9.45 9.60 2000 @ 9.45
Electric 22 23 300 @ 22.50

Telephone 24 703 @ 24.15
INDUSTRIALS
Cement 16 16.80 1500 @ 16.30
500 @ 16.40

STORES, ETC
Dairy 16 16 200 @ 16.15
Wing On (H.K.) 56 20 @ 56.10

Rubber Futures In Spore

Singapore, Nov. 17.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, per lb.
November 143 1/2-144
December 142 1/2-143

January (1952)
Number 2 rubber, November 139-138 1/2
Number 3 rubber, November 133 1/2-134

Number 4 rubber, November 128 1/2-129
Spot rubber, unbleached 143 1/2-144 1/2
Black crepe 105 1/2-106 1/2
No. 1 pale crepe 150-151

United Press.

Japan's Textile Comeback

New York, Nov. 18.

K. Fukumi, an official of Toyo Sanyo Co., Ltd., of Japan, said here that Japanese textiles are staging a comeback. He predicted that Japan will have 6,000,000 cotton spindles some time next year.

Mr Fukumi has been visiting textile mills in various parts of the United States—Associated Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local (unofficial) exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. Dollars (per \$1) 6.085
Sterling note (per £1) 16.02
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 3.30
Siamese baht (per 100) 23.00
Singapore (Straits) 1.51
FIC (per 100) 83.675

ITALY DOUBLES CAR EXPORTS

Rome, Nov. 18.

Italy's automobile exports in the first nine months of 1951 almost doubled last year's figures. There were 23,998 Italian cars and trucks sent abroad, compared with 14,007 in the same period the previous year. The exports equaled 20.8 per cent of the total production of automobiles, which reached the all-time high figure of 115,236 vehicles. Associated Press.

RETAIL TRADE STIMULATED

New York, Nov. 18.

U.S. retail trade, stimulated by cool weather and many reduced-price promotions, reached the highest dollar volume of the year last week, Dun and Bradstreet reported.

Volume for the week through Wednesday was estimated to be from two to six per cent above the record level of a year ago. Associated Press.



Date	Ship	From
In Port	"TEGELBERG"	Japan
12th Nov.	"TIWANGI"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
20th Nov.	"TIBODAN"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
1st Dec.	"STRAAT"	Japan
2nd Dec.	"MALAKKA"	Japan
7th Dec.	"VAN HEUTEZ"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
	"TITJALONGKA"	Japan
	"TEGELBERG"	Japan

Date	Ship	From
19th Nov.	"TEGELBERG"	Japan Ports
19th Nov.	"TIWANGI"	Singapore, Java Ports & Macassar
22nd Nov.	"TIBODAN"	Java Ports & Macassar
1st Dec.	"STRAAT"	Manila, Singapore, S. & S. Africa
2nd Dec.	"MALAKKA"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Bell
6th Dec.	"VAN HEUTEZ"	Singapore, Java Ports & Macassar
9th Dec.	"TITJALONGKA"	Singapore, Africa & S. America
	"TEGELBERG"	

General Agents: HOLLAND EAST ASIA LINE

Date	Ship	From
In Port	"KIEDEBECHE"	Europe & Singapore
11th Dec.	"KIEDEBECHE"	Europe & Singapore
15th Dec.	"AAGTERKERK"	Europe & Singapore
5th Jan.	"AAGTERKERK"	Japan

Date	Ship	From
22nd Nov.	"KIEDEBECHE"	Japan via Manila
12th Dec.	"KIEDEBECHE"	Manila, Singapore & Europe
15th Dec.	"AAGTERKERK"	Japan via Manila
7th Jan.	"AAGTERKERK"	Manila, Singapore & Europe

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The Toast Is "The Prime Minister"



The scene in the historic City Guildhall as the new Lord Mayor, Sir Leslie Boyce, and the Lady Mayoress, "toasted" Mr Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, when he rose to open his speech at the Lord Mayor's banquet ten days ago.—Central Press picture.

Chou En-lai Desires Big-Five Peace Pact

San Francisco, Nov. 18. Communist Chinese Foreign Minister Chou En-lai reiterated today China's desire for a Big-Five peace pact and the absolute necessity of including Peking and Moscow in any settlement of important world questions.

In an official statement broadcast by Peking Radio this morning, Mr Chou said a successful conclusion of the Korean armistice talks could be reached if the United Nations "gave up their shameful tactics in stalling negotiations."

He asserted that China supported the seeking of a five-power pact among the United States, Russia, Britain, France and China.

Without the participation of Russia and China, he added, it would be impossible to settle any important international question.

KOREA ARMISTICE

Foreign Minister Chou said a Korean armistice agreement had not yet been reached after four months' negotiations because of what he described as the American side's lack of sincerity.

He accused the United States of obstructing the truce talks in order to maintain world tension to facilitate war preparations.

Mr Chou said he completely agreed with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky's four-point proposal at the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on November 8. He claimed that it was the most effective proposal to avoid the threat of another world war and to strengthen world security and peace.

30-DAY TRUCE PROPOSAL

Answer Expected Today

Tokyo, Nov. 19. The United Nations "informal" truce delegates met with the Communists at 11 a.m. in Pan Mun Jom today to get their answer to a proposal which would virtually end the killing in Korea.

The UN negotiators were confident that the Communists would agree to their 30-day temporary truce plan, which would be in effect while other problems leading to a final peace were discussed.

While it was understood by both sides that fighting would continue during the period, a UN spokesman admitted that ground action would grind to a virtual halt during the period. Therefore, should the Communists agree to the plan today and an armistice agreement is worked out in the next 30 days this could be the last full-scale day of war in Korea.—United Press.

SUCCESSFUL ACTION

Eighth Army HQ, Nov. 19. A full UN infantry division carved out 1,000 yard gains east of the Pukhan River on Sunday against stubborn enemy delaying action to take the dominating high ground in the area. An Eighth Army briefing officer said the action was "eminently successful."

The hard driving Allies who crossed the river in assault boats two days ago registered gains up to 5,000 yards along the nine-mile front in the rocky sector southeast of Kumsong. The rugged hill section which is connected by a series of ridgelines completely dominates the area northeast of the Pukhan River.

Allied troops, after moving forward in the morning, spent the afternoon mopping up against "moderate" enemy resistance. Three enemy counter-attacks were thrown against the northern sector of the advancing front, but all were repulsed.

A Chinese battalion which was enveloped by the fast driving Allied troops yesterday apparently had escaped through a gap in the UN lines, the Eighth Army briefing officer said. Action generally ceased in the late afternoon by late afternoon yesterday. It was estimated that at least two Chinese regiments were driven from the area.

UN troops were also successful in the British Commonwealth sector west of Yonchong yesterday, driving an unknown number of Chinese soldiers to the west.—United Press.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers
1. Strings of shell-beads used by North American Indians for money or ornament. 2. In France, June 6, 1918. 3. Off Gambia, West Africa. 4. Washington, 5. William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland—third son of George II. 6. Wilhelm Richard Wagner.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Maybe your fiancée is beautiful, sweet and clinging, but she didn't even offer to help me with the dishes!"

Possession Of Arms Charge

Heldwyn Williams, 21, and James William Bradshaw, 18, both sailors of HMS Tamar, were charged before Mr R. W. S. Winter at Kowloon this morning with possession of three .38 Smith and Wesson revolvers, 117 rounds of revolver ammunition and one dagger, without a licence.

On the application of Det. Div. Insp. P. Moor, of O.D. Police Headquarters, New Territories, both defendants were remanded for three days in Police custody.

Insp. Moor told the Court that there would definitely be more charges preferred against the men.

Cabin Boy Misses Ship

A 16-year-old Swedish boy, employed aboard the Danish ship Agnere Maersk as a cabin boy, was brought before Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning to answer a charge of wilfully and negligently remaining in the Colony after the departure of his ship.

Defendant, who said he had one year's sea, went ashore at Kowloon Wharf at 1 p.m. yesterday and when he returned at 8 p.m. he found his ship had already left for Japan. He was picked up by a Naval patrol and handed over to the Police.

Defendant said that he was not informed when the ship would sail but did not make any enquiry concerning the ship's sailing time.

The Magistrate found that there was slight negligence but no wilfulness on defendant's part and committed him to the House of Detention pending arrangements for his repatriation.

Four Counsel To Defend Five Farmers

Four Counsel have been assigned to defend five farmers who appeared before Mr Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions this morning accused of the murder of a vegetable farmer, Li Fook-hing, at Tsun Wan on September 1.

The accused are Lo Chung, 24, Lo Fat, 25, Lai Ming, 25, Lai Wai, 22, and Lo Man-tai, 23.

Plea were deferred until the date of trial which will be fixed later.

Assigned for the defence are Mr Percy Chen, for the first accused, Mr S. V. Glittins, for the second, Mr V. L. J. Alton, for the third and Mr D. A. L. Wright, for the fifth.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel represented the prosecution.

Shave Pleads Not Guilty

Albert Edward Shave, aged 23, a Sub-Inspector of the Hongkong Police, was arraigned before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Gould, at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he tendered a plea of Not Guilty to a charge of manslaughter.

The charge against the accused is that on August 22 he unlawfully killed Wong Keng-sun at the Yat Ming Teahouse, 342, Prince Edward Road.

Dr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr F. K. Palmadani, for the defence applied for extension of bail until the date of hearing.

The application was granted by his Lordship.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown, assisted by Det-Insp W. Watson.

The trial will open before Mr Justice Gould on December 10, and three days have been reserved for the hearing.

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6. Programme Summary: 6.02 "Children's Half Hour" Presented by Elizabeth Ann (Studio); 6.30 Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7. World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.10 Songs by Owen Carter (Soprano) and Henry Cummings (Baritone); 7.30 United Nations Album; 7.45 Artist of the Week: Giocanda de Vito Violini; 7.50 Weather Report; 8. From the Editorials (Recorded Relay); 8.10 Interlude; 8.15 British Masterpieces; 8.30 "Millie's Day" Orchestral (BBC); 8.45 "Talk by Bernard Russell"; 8.50 "I Like What I Like" Presented by Hunter Greig (Studio); 9. "Calling All Forces" With Ted Ray and Petula Clark (BBC); 9.15 "The Duke of Edinburgh" by Mr. F. K. Palmadani; 9.30 "Two's a Pair" By Wolf Harding (BBC); 10. Chanson Française; 10.15 The City of London's Welcome to Her Royal Highness, Princess Elizabeth and The Duke of Edinburgh. On Their Return from Canada and the United States (London Relay); 10.45 "Concerto" Piano Concerto in A Minor (John Ireland); 11.00 "The Joy of the House" Orchestral; 11.15 "Goodnight Music" The New Concert Orchestra; 11.30 "Weather Report" God Save the King; 11.50 "Close Down."

Prison For Wounding Woman

Forty Stabs With Pocket Knife

Lau Hung, 29, unemployed, was sent to prison for three years with hard labour by Mr Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he pleaded guilty to wounding a woman, Lo Suet-fong, with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, told the Court that the woman had altogether twenty stab wounds inflicted with a pocket knife, but practically no force was used. One wound was a tenth-of-an-inch deep and the others were about a third-of-an-inch in length.

The woman and the accused, said Counsel, lived together for about six months as husband and wife although they were not married. The woman was now pregnant and she told the Police that he accused was responsible for her condition. She worked in a metal factory and supported the accused who did no work.

MAN'S ACCUSATION

A week prior to the incident there was a discussion between them and her pregnancy was discussed.

Rightly or wrongly, said Mr Blair-Kerr, the man accused the woman of having associated with another person unknown and he (the accused) refused to accept responsibility. The suggested some action which would amount to illegally aborting. The woman refused.

On the night of September 29 last, she woke up from sleep feeling stab wounds all over her body. She rushed to a cubicle and neighbours removed her to hospital where she was detained for two days. In answer to the charge, the accused said: "I did wound her because I suspected her movements were not proper."

Crown Counsel added that the woman was a widow and met the accused in Canton in 1947. The accused came to the Colony in 1949 and there were no previous convictions against him.

Asked if he had anything to say before sentence was passed, the accused pleaded for leniency.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

Five brothers are named: there cannot be more. The only set of ages which admits of two differences of four years is: 13 12 9 8 7. It follows that Felix is seven. London Express Service.

Living Language

Why we say Blackmail.

Historically blackmail was first levied in Scotland where border farmers used to pay "protection money" to freebooters from both sides of the border. Highland chiefs, too, used to "protect" the crofters within their territory in return for a tax. In Scottish law quit-rents paid in kind, such as labour or grain, were called "black-mail", as distinct from quit-rents paid in silver, which were called "white-mail" or "white-money".

Mail Notices

Latest times of posting at G.P.O. and at Kowloon Post Office: registered articles and parcel mails close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below. Christmas Letter & Parcel Mails for Hawaii & U.S.A. and Christmas Letter Mails for Canada.—The latest time of posting to secure delivery in Hawaii, U.S.A. and Canada by December 23 will be 1 p.m. on November 23 or as Pres. Cleveland.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Japan, 5 p.m. via B.O.A.C. Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. Canada, 5 p.m. H.K.A./N.W.A.L. Siam, Malaya, 5 p.m. C.P.A. Philippines, 5 p.m. C.P.A.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Formosa, Japan, 11 a.m. via C.A. Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 10 a.m. Air France. Siam, 10 a.m. H.K.A./N.W.A.L. Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 11.50 a.m. B.O.A.C. Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m. C.P.A.

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m. B.O.A.C.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 8 a.m. via P.A.L. Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 9 a.m. C.P.A. Formosa, 10 a.m. H.K.A./N.W.A.L. Siam, 11 a.m. P.O.A.S. U.S.A., Canada, 1 p.m. P.A.A. Japan, Korea, 5 p.m. B.O.A.C. Formosa, 5 p.m. H.K. Airways. By Surface: Macao, 8 a.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tai Shing. China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m., train via Canton. Malaya, 10 a.m., as Star Alcyon. Philippines, Noon, as Tallyrand. Japan, 2 p.m., as Tungus. Indonesia, 2 p.m., as Concordia. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

DEATH LEAP FROM CITY BUILDING

A \$5 pawn ticket with the characters "because of poverty and sickness" scribbled on it, told the tragic story of an unknown Chinese who jumped from the fourth floor of National Bank Building in Ice House Street just after noon today.

Emaciated and about 30 years of age, the man was dressed in a Chinese suit. Occupiers of the Bank Building said he was not known there. A coolie in Ice House Street saw him at the landing window and hardly had he thought "He is going to commit suicide" when the man jumped.

The falling body missed a Sing Tao Jih Pao reporter by a foot. While the Police called an ambulance, the reporter supported the man.

A priest, passing by made the sign of the cross and said a prayer.

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AN INVALUABLE BOOK FOR MOTHERS

The Sunday Express has produced one of those books in which every family expecting an addition should invest.

Apart from all the advice it has for mother both before and after Little Johnny or Mary has arrived, a section devoted to the record of "Your child's physical, and mental growth, personality, interests and abilities." Such a record will, if faithfully kept, provide invaluable help with any further additions when you can turn back and see just how long it took Young Johnny to get through his exasperating phase of spitting out everything that was placed in that cherubic-looking mouth. Besides, it is a useful store to draw upon when filling up those forms which schools invariably demand—the "What illnesses has Mary had, and what inoculations?" sort of question.

And for helping to decide how many and what names Junior shall have bestowed upon him, there are five pages of names for boys and girls, their meaning and derivation. You learn that Cynthia is Greek

for "Belonging to the moon" and George also Greek, meaning "One who amasses a fortune." Thirteen chapters beginning with "Your baby from birth till one month" and ending with "Your child from five to six years" form the bulk of the book, and this covers everything from feeding and tantrums to First Aid, with recipes by the score. (Illuminable and what to say when your Little One applies the "Why?" or worse, the "I won't" technique.

There is also this sage reasoning in answer to that controversial question "How can I best fit him for what lies ahead?" "We have seen in the past that the world can change overnight from a safe, pleasant place to one of grim effort, sacrifice and hardship. Fathers and mothers cannot be blamed for wondering whether the gentle philosophies which have dominated child-rearing during these past years will prepare children adequately for such a world. It is natural that we should ask ourselves whether sterner attitudes and punishments are called for.

But let us stop and consider. Those who accepted the disciplines of the last war so splendidly and who endured hardships we can never know, were reared by that philosophy. It has proved itself under fire.

A wise man has pointed out that a gardener does not expose his tender spring seedlings to frost and chill just because he knows winter is coming. He does not keep pulling and tugging them up by the roots to accustom them to future hurricanes.

Instead, he cherishes them with the utmost tenderness, so they will have a chance to grow sturdy and strong before they meet the storm. He knows such care will give them the best chance to survive.

Thus it should be with our children. And thus does one learn in frank and direct words of wisdom just how to greet and care for the newcomer. It is a book worth having. Copies are available at 25s each at the South China Morning Post, Wyndham Street.—Sue Dawson.

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